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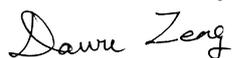
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**Serum ceruloplasmin can predict liver fibrosis in hepatitis B virus-infected patients**

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**Informed consent statement:** Patients were not required to give informed consent to the study because the analysis used anonymous data that were obtained after each patient agreed to treatment by written consent

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