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Dear Editor,

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Title: Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate is superior to lamivudine-plus-adeфовir in lamivudine-resistant patients

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated.

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) All 59 patients were accepted HBV resistance mutational analysis and had experienced LAM-plus-ADV. We added Figure 1 (Flow diagram of comparing a switch to TDF monotherapy in LAM-resistant CHB patients with suboptimal response to LAM-plus-ADV). The results of HBV resistance mutation were at Table 1. Because of small number of subjects and short follow-up period, there is no table showing the range of mutations.

(2) Two of the patients in the "TDF only" arm were also given Emtricitabine. We increased the two patients' clinical data in our manuscript.

(3) In the Results: Among patients who were HBeAg positive at baseline, 4% (1/25) in the TDF group and 0% (0/27) in the LAM-plus-ADV group became HBeAg negative at week 48 ($p > 0.05$) (Table 2). No patient achieved HBeAg seroconversion at week 48 in either of the two groups. HBeAg seroconversion means HBeAg loss and HBeAb positive. In table 2 one patient achieved HBeAg loss at Wk 48 in TDF group and no patient happened HBeAb positive in HBeAg positive patients.

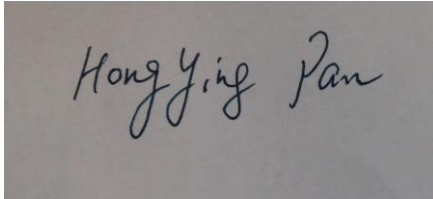
(4) On the last page of the text of the manuscript, we revised the "Research Frontiers". Thanks for your good suggestions.

(5) Our manuscript has been polished in English language by .liwenbianji

3 References and typesetting were corrected. Sorry! I'm can not find the DOI numbers for the reference 11 and 17.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

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