

Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 15925-review.doc).

Title: The influence of gut bacteria on both the development and progression of non-alcoholic fatty liver disease.

Author: Name of Journal: *World Journal of Hepatology*

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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) We have added some information regarding the role of microbiota in the development of NAFLD and NASH and have improved the layout of the figure.

(2) We have added on the suggested references by Wong et al and Ma et al.

(3) This manuscript is in the format of an editorial and thus is shorter than a review.

(4) We have added a conclusion paragraph.

Thank you again for considering our manuscript in the *World Journal of Hepatology*.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen Malnick'.

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