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Dear Jin-Lei Wang,

as corresponding author of the manuscripts:

Name of journal: World Journal of Gastroenterology

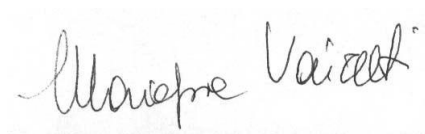
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Title: **Role of matrix metalloproteinases in cholestasis and hepatic ischemia/reperfusion injury: a review**

I declare that there are not any competing commercial, personal, political, intellectual, or religious interests in relation to the submitted work.

Sincerely

Mariapia Vairetti

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