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Dear Dr. Wang:

Enclosed please find our invited and revised review manuscript #6029 entitled **“Target genes discovery through copy number alteration analysis in human hepatocellular carcinoma”** submitted for your consideration for publication in the *“World Journal of Gastroenterology”*. I would like to thank you, three reviewers and editorial office for careful reviewed of our manuscript and provided several useful suggestions. I have followed these suggestions and revised our manuscript accordingly. I believe that this manuscript has been revised to a better version and should be appreciated by the audience of WJG. I will answer all the suggestions point-by-point in the following:

1. I would like to thank reviewers because all three reviewers appreciated our useful information and knowledge provided in this reviewed article.
2. Reviewers 1 and 3 suggested that we should send our manuscript out for editing and polishing our English writing. We have done so by using the editing company, American Journal Experts (<http://www.aje.com>), provided from the letter of Dr. Ya-Juan Ma, Science Editor of your Editorial Office. The editing certificate of our manuscript will be uploaded.
3. Reviewer 1 suggested some useful databases and algorism. For completing this suggestion, in addition to the suggested GISTIC and cBioPortal, we have added a new Table 2 to offer a list of common integrated databases and three sentences in the section of “Integrated HCC cancer genomic databases with CNAs” at pages 10 and 11.
4. Reviewer 1 also questioned the resolution of Affymetrix SNP genotyping chip version 6 presented in Figure 1. I would like to thank reviewer 1’s careful reading. We checked the official document from Affymetrix and realized that the SNP markers interval distance is less than 0.7 kb not the “resolution”. We therefore used “average markers distance” to replace “resolution” in the figure 1.
5. We also modified the manuscript structure suggested by the editorial office in the revision world file.

Thank you very much for the helps and we look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely Yours!

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