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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 2429-review.doc).

Title: Insulin resistance, adipokine profile and hepatic expression of SOCS-3 gene in chronic hepatitis C.

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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

Review 1:

We have improved written English of this manuscript.

Review 2:

We added BMI of these both groups.

Review 3:

The small sample size is a limitation of our study. However, to investigate the direct effect of HCV on insulin resistance we analyzed adipokines and HOMA-IR in selected chronic hepatitis C patients without metabolic disorders. This is the first study to determine the impact of wide spectrum of adipokines and HOMA-IR index on histopathological changes in liver biopsy specimens and hepatic expression of Suppressor of cytokine signaling 3 (SOCS-3) mRNA.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,

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