

**Dear Editors-in-Chief,  
Prof. Subrata Ghosh,  
Prof. Andrzej S Tarnawski,  
World Journal of Gastroenterology (WJG).**

Dear Sir,

With reference to WJG “Invited Manuscript” **Number ID: 03763107 and 62780-BPG**, we have revised the review article titled **"COVID-19 and co-morbidities of hepatic diseases in a global perspective"** in the light of reviewer/editor comments. The revised text is highlighted in red color for your perusal and approval, please. The point-to-point response to reviewer/editor comments are explained below.

We are now pleased to submit the revised article notably improved and proof-read by all the authors.

With Best Wishes and Regards

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### **Reviewer comments and responses**

1) Science editor: 1 Scientific quality: The manuscript describes a review of the COVID-19 and co-morbidities of hepatic diseases in a global perspective. The topic is within the scope of the WJG. (1) Classification: Grade B; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: The authors found a well-written and updated review that covers all areas regarding the outcome of SARS-Cov-2 infection on liver; and (3) Format: There are 2 tables and 2 figures. A total of 86 references are cited, including 84 references published in the last 3 years. There are 3 self-citations, which are related to this review. 2 Language evaluation: Classification: Grade B. 3 Academic norms and rules: No academic misconduct was found in the Bing search. 4 Supplementary comments: This is an invited manuscript. The topic has not previously been published in the WJG. 5 Issues raised:

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(5) 6 Re-Review: Required. 7 Recommendation: Conditional acceptance.

We are thankful for invitation of WJG and considration of review article. The revised article has been submitted via online revision portal.