

Dear Editors:

Thank you very much for your comments and suggestions. We have revised the manuscript (NO: 82671), according to the comments and suggestions of reviewers, and responded, point by point to, the comments as listed below.

I would like to re-submit this revised manuscript to *World Journal of Hepatology*, and hope it is acceptable for publication in the journal.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

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Replies to Reviewers and Editor

First of all, we thank both reviewers and editor for their positive and constructive comments and suggestions.

Replies to Reviewer #1:

I congratulate authors for this well written manuscript; the information is relatively new. Is there any data on engineered exosomes in liver regeneration after hepatectomy or portal vein embolization, and in post-transplant patients (transplanted for NAFLD

associated cirrhosis)?

Answer: Because these are not closely related to this review, they are not included in this review.

There can be minor language revision that can be done, recommend further review by a language expert

Answer: We have polished the language in the revised manuscript.

Replies to Reviewer #2:

Dear Authors, thank you for submitting this extensive review on exosomes and NAFLD. The review would benefit from an extensive reshaping as many parts/studies are repeated throughout the manuscript.

Answer: We've gone out of our way to make a major revision and trim down the redundancy.

Moreover, in this version, the paper is challenging to follow. Some specific remarks:

NAFLD is a liver disease, not a key factor for liver disease

Answer: We have corrected this error.

NAFLD is reversible, while advanced non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) is difficult to reverse - it is a contradictory

Answer: We have corrected this error.

please change the two-hit hypothesis now old with the new, establish multi-hit hypothesis for the pathogenesis of NAFLD

Answer: We have removed "two-hit hypothesis".

please remove all the disease that are not relevant to NAFLD from the paragraph

Exosomes and lipid metabolism, such as cachexia etc

Answer: We have deleted all the disease that are not relevant to NAFLD.

please erase this statement as not true: Human umbilical cord mesenchymal stem cell-based (hUC-MSC) therapy is currently considered an effective treatment for NAFLD.

Answer: We have deleted this sentence.

The paper would benefit from merging the paragraph on exosomes and inflammation with the one with oxidative stress. A comprehensive paragraph on lipotoxicity would be clearer as the two entities cannot be separated

Answer: We have merged the paragraph on exosomes and inflammation with the one with oxidative stress.