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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 9477-revised.doc).

Title: Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease: A Comprehensive Review of a Growing Epidemic

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 The figure has been remade in Microsoft PowerPoint and the ".ppt" file can be provided if needed.

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer 02445063

Has some typos which need correction- e.g.- on page 15- first sentence of paragraph has suspected type- "market" vs marker

Corrected.

Ludwig from Mayo was first to publish on NAFLD.

Added

Schwimmer paper on ALT screening cutoffs should be included.

Paper provides information about specific cut off values for the pediatric population, these numbers have not been adopted by any organization at this time, nor is screening currently mandated by organizations.

Molleston paper on normal ALT and histopath should be included

Included

Type 2 AIH screening should be included.

Included

Preventative vaccinations should be included.

Included

OSA was ignored.

Added

Choline deficiency was not mentioned- has been shown in humans as well as animal models.

Added

Obeticholic acid study was stopped due to lipid panel findings- must be included.

Added, at the time of submission and writing the study had not yet been stopped, also of note the study was stopped as it met its therapeutic goal earlier than anticipated.

Liver biopsy complication rate - outdated info.

Earlier information provides larger patient base, however newer information was also added for the reviewer.

3 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer 00503546

For readers, a list of abbreviations may be useful for understanding the text.

Added

In some abbreviations, their appearance is out of order.

Corrected

There are minor grammatical and typographical errors.

Article has been reread and appropriately edited.

4 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer 00003472

Please put an abstract in the main text for reviewers to work fluently.

Added

The authors described a case of a pregnant woman complicated with NAFLD in Introduction Section. Please show a reference cited.

Wording modified to talk describe Ludwig's description of NASH instead of NAFLD in pregnancy

There are several abbreviations that are not explained such as SPEA, BMW, NPV, and AGA. Please use same word in the text such as TNFa and TNF-alpha.

List of abbreviations added and inconsistency has been corrected.

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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