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This manuscript titled, "Lack of hepcidin expression attenuates steatosis and causes fibrosis in the liver" investigated the role of key iron-regulatory protein, hepcidin in non-alcoholic fatty liver disease in Hepcidin (Hamp1) knockout and floxed control mice administered a high fat and high sucrose (HFS) or a regular control diet for 3 or 7 months. Authors suggest that Hepcidin and iron may play a role in the regulation of metabolic pathways in the liver, which has implications for NAFLD pathogenesis. This manuscript was well designed in vivo experiment and well written with all the results obtained. Therefore this manuscript would provide new knowledge to readers of W J of Gastroenterology. A minor English editing is required.