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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: rf.docx).

Title: Molecular mechanism of HBV-induced hepatocarcinogenesis

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

1 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

- 1) We incorporated more information on HBV related risk factor of HCC.
- 2) We added a new general section about HCC with statistical data from 2012 and etiological factors.
- 3) In the section "Immune and inflammatory factors", we described the neoplastic modulation activity of CD4+ and CD8+ T with special attention to CD4+ Treg cells and their permissive activity for the HBV infection and HCC.
- 4) A new section was added, reassuming the new molecular therapy under evaluation and the opening for future research.
- 5) The "HBV" in title was replaced by "hepatitis B virus".
- 6) In page 10 "Hbx" was replaced with "HBx".
- 7) In page 14, "700.000" was replaced with "700,000".

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

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrea Galli'.

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