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Dear Editor:

Enclosed is our revised manuscript "**Autophagy and microRNA in hepatitis B virus-related hepatocellular carcinoma**". We have complied reviewers' constructive comments and made necessary modifications. The revised manuscript and the point-by-point response to the reviewer's comments are enclosed separately. We hope that you will now find our work acceptable for publication. We look forward to your reply.

Best regards!

Sincerely,

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Point-by-point response

1. Please provide language certificate letter by professional English language editing companies (Classification of manuscript language quality evaluation is B).

Response:

Our manuscript has been revised by an English expert Peter Wilds who comes from United Kingdom and obtained his degree of Combined Studies (English and Psychology) from the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne (UK). Attached please see the language certificate letter.

2. All nonfunctional words should be deleted, such as ‘the’, ‘studies on’, ‘observations of’, and ‘roles of’, *etc.*

Response:

We deleted all non-function words in the title (page 1).

3. Please provide the postal code.

Response:

The postal code has been added in the revised manuscript (page 2).

4. A copy of signed statement should be provided to the BPG in PDF format, which are necessary for final acceptance.

Response:

A copy of signed statement is attached with our revised manuscript.

5. Audio core tip

Response:

We provided an audio file to describe our final core tip.

6. Don't need blank space between reference number and the before words.

Response:

All the blank space between reference number and the before words were deleted in the revised manuscript.

7. Please add DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors.

Response:

DOI citation number was added to all references and all authors in the references were listed in the revised manuscript.

8. The coordinate graphs supplied should be decomposable (each part of your figure could be moved so as to easily edited). You can send it as excel, word or PPT format so that I can edit them easily.

Response:

We provided the original file of our figures in PPT format in this revised manuscript for your further editing.