## Reply to Referee#1

Dear Referee,

Thank you for your positive comments.

- The role of IL-6 in the diagnosis of NAFLD, was reported and references updated (page 10)
- A new paragraph on the relationship between NAFLD and hypercorticolism (n. 7), was included and the references updated (pages 17-18). In line with this new paragraph, figure 1 was revised.
- The word "adiponectin" in the figure 2 was revised.

## Reply to Referee#2

Dear Referee,

Thank you for your positive comments.