

## ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find the enclosed electronic copy of the full-text manuscript in Word format (file name 33298-Revised manuscript.docx).

Title: Keratin 8/18 variants involved in non-alcoholic fatty liver disease and their association with insulin resistance: a case-control study in Chinese cohort

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

1 Format has been updated

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

(1) Manuscript requires editorial attention for its English language.

**Yes, we have revised the language in the manuscript.**

(2) I, as a reader of WJG, hope that the authors clarify whether the variants are associated with disease severity of NAFLD or not, if possible.

**We agree that the association between variants and disease severity should be clarified, and we are doing so in our gene function research study in progress.**

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

Gastroenterology.

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