

Dear Lian-Sheng Ma,

We would like to thank the editor and the reviewers for their conscientious reviews, and insightful comments and suggestions to improve our manuscript entitled “**Intestinal virome: an important research direction for alcoholic and nonalcoholic liver diseases.**” (Manuscript NO.: 72642, Letter to the Editor). All the comments are valued, professional and helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. In the response below, we have addressed all the concerns raised by the editor and the reviewers. I hope my paper could achieve the academic standards of your magazine and be published finally. Thank you very much.

Reviewer #1:

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)

Conclusion: Accept (General priority)

Specific Comments to Authors: The letter to Editor "Intestinal virome: an important research direction for alcoholic and nonalcoholic liver diseases" is an interesting topic and important to communicate. the letter is written is clear, comprehensive and well organized way and in a good scientific language.

Response: Thanks very much for the professional comment. We are encouraged by your support and affirmation, and we will continue to carry out researches in this field. Thanks again.

Reviewer #2:

Scientific Quality: Grade A (Excellent)

Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)

Conclusion: Accept (High priority)

Specific Comments to Authors: Excellent letter to the editor. Would recommend approval.

Response: Thank you for your affirmation of our manuscript, and we will continue to work hard in-depth research.

The Editorial Office's comments and suggestions are listed below:

(1) Science editor:

This is a letter to the editor discussing the changes in the intestinal virome in patients with alcoholic liver disease and nonalcoholic liver disease. The authors provide suggestions for developing future diagnosis and treatment methods. It letter would be of interest to the readership of the World Journal

of Gastroenterology. It should be accepted in its current form.

Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

Response: Thank you for your affirmation of our manuscript. In the future, we will continue to study and write other articles that meet the requirements of your magazine. Thanks again.

(2) Company editor-in-chief:

I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Gastroenterology, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors.

Response: Thank you for your valuable advice. We have revised and submitted the article in accordance with the comments of the reviewers and the requirements of the magazine. I hope it can reach the publication level of your magazine. Thank you again.

We checked the content of the article and revised it as required. These changes will not influence the content and framework of the paper. Once again, we sincerely appreciate for reviewers' warm work, and look forward to hearing from you soon.

With best wishes,

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