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Dear Professor Lian-Sheng Ma,

Please find attached our manuscript 'Is there a role of lipid-lowering therapies in the management of fatty liver disease' submitted to the *World Journal Hepatology*, revised according to the referee's and Editorial comments.

We thank you for the opportunity to publish our invited review article in the *World Journal of Hepatology* journal and we do hope that the revised manuscript meets your publishing requirement.

We would like to thank the referee too for their very insightful comments.

Regarding to our specific responses to the referee's comments, please see below:

This review is well written.

We thank this referee for stating that our review is 'well written'.

1. Section of fibrate: Theoretically, fibrate will exert beneficial effects for NAFLD, but there is a gap between rodents and humans. One possibility is a species difference in fibrate responsiveness to PPARα, and the other is dose difference between rodent and human experiments. Please cite these manuscripts and discuss this issue. PMID: 28546081, PMID: 30670907, PMID: 19124612.

We thank this referee for this very important and insightful comment. This is now discussed in the revised manuscript and the proposed literature is now cited.

2. Section of omega-3 FA: Please cite the following manuscripts and discuss the effect of highly-purified eicosapentaenoic acid. PMID: 18277895, PMID: 20691165.

We thank this referee for this important point. The role of the highly purified EPA in NAFLD/NASH is discussed, and the proposed papers have now been cited in the revised manuscript.

I also confirm that the manuscript was reviewed by a UK-based proficient English speaker and was polished for the use of English language as recommended.

Best regards.

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