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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 15284-review.doc).

**Title:** Valproic acid and nonalcoholic fatty liver disease: a possible association?

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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) We added a new scheme (Figure 1). It describes the pathogenetic mechanism of Valproic Acid (VPA) induced steatosis (NAFLD)

(2) We added a new table (Table 1), a new reference (reference n.1) and a new paragraph in the NAFLD section. In summary, we illustrated the panorama of biopsy findings in NAFLD and we explained that biopsy is eventually necessary to disclose the feature of inflammation, fibrosis or cirrhosis (NASH).

(3) We reviewed the English language of the whole paper.

(4) We did not add the table (suggested by the reviewer) that summarizes the statistics of the studies cited in the paper because there are only three pediatric studies about NAFLD and all pertinent data from these three papers are reported in the text.

(5) We did not add any biopsy images: NAFLD is a reversible process and, in agreement with experience of other pediatric centers, we did not perform any biopsies on the children treated with VPA we followed.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

We want to thank Referee for his valuable and useful comments about our manuscript and we are fully available to make other changes if requested.

Sincerely yours,

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