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Dear Editor,

Submitted is the third revised manuscript of MS-1024691504299574 “Peroxiredoxin 2: A potential biomarker for early diagnosis of Hepatitis B Virus related liver fibrosis identified by proteomic analysis of the plasma” together with supplementary documents.

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We have revised the Background section of the Abstract to include the context information in main paper and defined HBV as “Hepatitis B virus” within the Abstract.

We have included an Authors' contributions section before the Acknowledgements and Reference list.

All the changes made were highlighted in the revised paper. We hope that the responses could satisfy the raised comments, and the according revision could have improved the paper and will make it acceptable for publication at BMC Gastroenterology.

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