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Dear Editor,

Submitted is the formatted 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.

We have made the following major revisions:

1. We renumbered Table 1.1 and 1.2 to Table 1 and Table 2. We also renumbered the references to them in the main paper.

2. We added a section titled "Additional files" at the end of the manuscript (after the tables), listing the title and a short description for each file. We ensure all files are referred to as additional files.

3. We cited references in numerical order.

We also made the following minor revisions:

1. We removed all highlighting and tracking from the manuscript.

2. We listed all the authors’ names for each citation.

3. We re-laid out the tables without merged elements.

4. We unified the mention of figures to Figure.

5. We checked the manuscript carefully to avoid any typographical error.

We hope that the formatting changes could satisfy the raised comments, and the according revision could conform the journal style of *BMC Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

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