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Dear Dr. Morawska:

Thank you for reviewing our previously revised manuscript entitled “Alpha-Fetoprotein Level as a Biomarker of Liver Fibrosis Status: A cross-sectional study of 619 consecutive patients with Chronic Hepatitis B.” We appreciate the reviewers’ comments and would like to express our sincere thanks to their kind review. And we have updated the authors’ contribution section. You will find our point-by-point responses below.

We are grateful for this opportunity to revise our manuscript and resubmit it to BMC Gastroenterology for consideration of publication.
Sincerely yours,

Jing Dong, MD, PhD

Response to reviewers' comments:

Reviewer comment:

Reviewer's report:
The authors have addressed my previous questions.

Author response:
Thank you so much for your kind review.

Editorial comments:

Please clarify the Authors' Contributions.

In your 'Authors' Contributions' section you stated that some of the authors' contribution was only 'literature research' or 'guarantor of the study'. Please note that these do not justify authorship.

Author response:
Thank you for pointing out this problem. We are sorry we did not correct it earlier. Now we have checked through the authors' contribution again and updated it.