Author's response to reviews

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Dear Editor, August 4, 2005

Thanks for your attention that you have paid for our manuscript entitled as "Measurement of the total antioxidant response using a novel automated method in subjects with nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (MS: 3288188686365540)". We revised the manuscript according to suggestions of reviewer. The revisions that made are listed below by providing point-by-point response.

1- Alternate mechanisms that may play role in oxidative stress in the liver of NASH subjects were included at page 8 (line 20-24) of revised version of manuscript.

2- The paragraph at page 9 (line 23-25) and page 10 (line 1-4) of revised manuscript added to discuss recent data by Videla et al., Cli Sci 2004; 106: 261-268.

3- The statement at page 9 (line 5-9) of old version of manuscript added to method section below the exclusion criteria and reference 36 and 37 re-numbered.

4- The references were updated at page 9 (line 15-16) of revised version of manuscript with the references or oxidative stress related parameters in the liver of NASH patients.

5- Reference 15, 19, 35 and 41 were excluded from manuscript.

6- TAR values were compared with the published data using the FRAP (Ferric Reducing Ability of Plasma)and Randox- total antioxidant status (TAS) at page 10 (line 19-25) and page 11 (line 1-4).

7- Some grammatical and spelling errors were corrected.


10- Correlation co-efficient and the significance values were added to the figures.

the correlation of fibrosis scores and necroinflammatory grades with total preroxide level, OSI or TAR were re-analyzed using Spearman correlation test.

11- References re-arranged.

12- Manuscript were re-checked for the conformity with the manuscript formatting checklist and re-arranged.

With Best Regards,
Mehmet Horoz, MD.