Reviewer's report

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1. Could the authors explain why they don’t have an YGJD single treated group? Did the YGJD single treatment affect the rat metabolic profile?

2. Due to the lacking of the YGJD single treating group, it is difficult to convince readers that the effects of YGJD on liver fibrosis development is caused by regulations on energy, fatty acid, amino acid metabolisms and gut flora. The metabolic changes found in co-treated rats may be the results of reduced liver injury but not the reason of reduced hepatic fibrosis.

3. In the material and method part, what’s the actual temperature that rats were housed? 23-24# or 20 ± 5#? There are still some format disunities and writing errors could be found in the material and methods part such as the space problem, “Date analysis” The authors should check the writing errors before the manuscript is considered for publication.