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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 13434-review.doc).

**Title:** Traditional Chinese Medicine for the prevention and treatment of hepatocarcinoma: from bench to bedside

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated.

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewers:

- (1) Based on published papers, we have comprehensively reviewed the compounds of herbs and its target proteins in the prevention and treatment of hepatocarcinoma.
- (2) Same as therapeutic agents, most anti-cancer Chinese herbs are not specific to liver cancer, and also effective in other cancers. The effects and possible mechanism of Chinese herbs against liver cancer are reviewed in this paper.
- (3) The advantages and disadvantages of TCM over the anti-cancer drugs frequently used have been mentioned in related section.
- (4) We have reviewed retrievable TCM study in HBV or HCV related hepatocarcinogenesis model. However, the effect of TCM on HBV and HCV infection has not been reviewed due to space and topic consideration.
- (5) We have specified acronyms in this review.
- (6) Animal models have been added in Table 1 and 3.
- (7) Histopathological feature of HCC and number of patients treated have been added in Table 2.
- (8) The main goal of this review has been stated in introduction.
- (9) Since this is a Chinese medicine orientated review, we are sorry there are still some references wrote with Chinese and cannot found in PubMed. However, the main information about the results in those references was clearly reviewed in text.
- (10) We have added two schematic sketches to elucidate anti-cancer mechanism of Chinese herbs.
- (11) All revisions have been marked with red color.

3 References and typesetting were corrected.

Once again, I would like to thank you and your reviewers for their constructive suggestions and comments. We hope current revision of our manuscript will be to your satisfaction for publication in the *World Journal of Hepatology*.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Bing Hu'.

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