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Dr. Christine Morand

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Dear Dr. Morand:

Please find enclosed our original copy of the manuscript, titled “**DNA** **methylome and transcriptome alterations in a high-glucose induced diabetic nephropathy cellular model and Identification of novel targets for treatment by Tanshinone IIA**” by Wenji Li, Davit Sargsyan, Renyi Wu, Shanyi Li, Lujing Wang, Ah-Ng Kong. We wish to submit it for publication as an Original Research Article in *Food & Function*. All authors have agreed to submit this article and no part of the work have been published before.

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1. The manuscript: MS-Food-Function-03-04-19.docx
2. Figures: *Figure 1.tif* through *Figure 10.tif*