

**Supplementary Table 1 – Age and gender adjusted univariate correlations between liver enzymes and anthropometric and metabolic variables**

	<b>ALT</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>AST</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>GGT</b>	<b>P</b>
	<i>r</i>	<i>P</i>				
BMI ( $kg/m^2$ )	0.24	<0.0001	0.18	<0.0001	0.09	0.02
Waist (cm)	0.22	<0.0001	0.13	0.001	0.07	0.05
Fat mass (%)	0.23	<0.0001	0.15	0.008	0.12	0.002
Fasting glucose ( $mg/dl$ )	0.15	<0.0001	0.12	0.001	0.07	0.06
1-h glucose ( $mg/dl$ )	0.18	<0.0001	0.14	0.001	0.10	0.01
2-h glucose ( $mg/dl$ )	0.21	<0.0001	0.16	<0.0001	0.16	<0.0001
Fasting insulin ( $\mu U/ml$ )	0.23	<0.0001	0.23	<0.0001	0.09	0.02
1-h insulin ( $\mu U/ml$ )	0.18	<0.0001	0.13	0.001	0.06	0.12
2-h insulin ( $\mu U/ml$ )	0.26	<0.0001	0.24	<0.0001	0.14	0.001
Total cholesterol ( $mg/dl$ )	0.11	0.004	0.04	0.24	0.14	<0.0001
HDL ( $mg/dl$ )	-0.14	<0.0001	-0.12	0.001	-0.01	0.72
Triglycerides ( $mg/dl$ )	0.19	<0.0001	0.13	<0.0001	0.20	<0.0001
IGF-1 ( $ng/ml$ )	-0.16	<0.0001	-0.12	0.004	-0.11	0.01
hsCRP ( $mg/l$ )	0.11	0.008	0.09	0.03	0.09	0.04
Liver IR index	0.33	<0.0001	0.24	<0.0001	0.14	0.001

BMI=Body Mass Index; ALT= Alanine aminotransferase; AST=aspartate aminotransferase;

GGT=gamma-glutamyltransferase