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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 1806-review.doc).

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

1 Format has been updated

2 We revised our manuscript according to the reviewer's suggestions

(1) We collected errors of grammar and syntax.

(2) We revised our manuscript not as an original but as a mini review article with an unstructured abstract.

We cited more than 50 references including revised Atlanta classification and CT severity index.

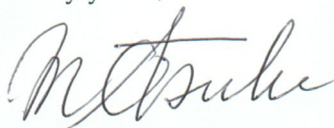
Thank you for your suggestion.

(3) We deleted previously published data, Figures 1 and 4, as suggested.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,



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