

ANSWERS TO THE REVIEWERS COMMENTS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 19466-editedfinal.docx).

Title: Need for simulation in laparoscopic colorectal surgery training

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

1 Core Tip and Audio core tip have been updated. Complete details of the corresponding author have been inserted.

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

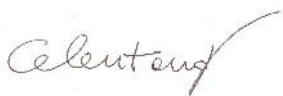
(1) Reviewer n. 182428 comments: "I read this review with very large interest and the author reviewed LCS well. Although the points that the author focused on are understandable including future perception as well as existing status, I also want to know whether the simulation for LCS training adopted for rectal surgery together. Another additional reviews concerning lap rectal surgery on the general training methods are to be desire". Answer: I agree with the referee that rectal surgery requires dedicated technical skills and therefore a longer learning curve, we have therefore highlighted this in the article. However, scope of the review is to focus on mechanisms to shorten the learning curve in laparoscopic colorectal surgery, in order to improve the trainees performance in the initial phase of training.

(2) Reviewer n. 503404 comments "This is a comprehensive review paper. Well written, well-structured and balanced. Minor comments; 1. please correct typos e.g. ?programme" 2. abstract should not contain abbreviations 3. please include core tips". Answer: Few minor transcriptions error have been amended, thanks. Abbreviations have been removed from the abstract and core tips and audio core tips sessions have been included.

3 References and typesetting were corrected and PMID and DOI completed.

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

Sincerely yours



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