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Thank you very much for your kind e-mail, which gave us the possibility to revise our manuscript.

We emended the paper according to the reviewers' comments. We hope this revision will make our manuscript better to be accepted in your journal.

Each comment has been answered accordingly in the manuscript and each text that has been altered was highlighted red in the revised manuscript.

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There is 5 case of total pancreatectomy, Why?

Answer: Total pancreatectomies were performed due to technical reasons (extremely soft pancreatic remnant, flogistic/vascular problems of the pancreatic remnant).

Thank you for considering the review.
Sincerely yours,



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