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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word Format (file name: WJGEditsGP.docx).

Title: Acid and non-acid gastroesophageal reflux in patient refractory to PPI therapy: is gastroparesis a factor?

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

1. The format has been updated.
2. Revisions have been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer:
 - a. Nissen fundoplication was appropriately capitalized.
 - b. The title of our manuscript was changed in order to emphasize the patient population that was investigated in our study.
 - c. Clarification was added in the 'Methods' portion to better define inclusion criteria, exclusion criteria, and method for defining gastroparesis.
 - d. In the methods section, a paragraph was added that tried to better characterize patients who were considered refractory to PPI therapy.
 - e. A sentence was added in the abstract to further emphasize that patients who were evaluated suffered from both typical and atypical symptoms of GERD.
 - f. A sentence was added in the methods that clarified that patients were on their home dose of PPI therapy and not all on a standard dose of PPI during the impedance study. The information regarding specific dosages remains in table 1.
 - g. The authors of the paper do agree that added symptom indexes to the paper would add value to the paper; unfortunately, we do not have this data available to us.
 - h. Four patients with prior Nissen fundoplication were included in this study. This information was updated in Table 1 but they remain included in our analysis.
 - i. Unfortunately, Mr. Akhavein has moved out of the country and we are unable to contact him at this time. Because of the inability to reach him, we have to remove him from the paper. We apologize for this inconvenience.
3. References and typesetting were corrected.

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

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