

INFORMED CONSENT STATEMENT

Name of Journal: *World Journal of Gastroenterology*

Manuscript NO: Invited Manuscript ID: 03258898

Manuscript Type: Retrospective Cohort Study

Pelvic exenterations for primary rectal cancer: analysis from a 10-year National prospective database

Gianluca Pellino, Sebastiano Biondo, Antonio Codina Cazador, José María Enríquez-Navascues, Eloy Espín-Basany, Jose Vicente Roig-Vila, and Eduardo García-Granero on behalf of the Rectal Cancer Project

Informed consent statement: Patients were not required to give informed consent to the study because the analysis used anonymous data that were obtained after each patient agreed to treatment by written informed consent.

Gianluca Pellino, MD, FEBS (colo), FASCRS, and

Eduardo García-Granero MD, PhD, FEBS (colo)

Corresponding Author

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The signature on the left is 'Gianluca Pellino' and the signature on the right is 'Eduardo García-Granero'.

Date: 02 October 2018