

Dear Editors of the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology,

We are sending you the revised manuscript entitled “Gastric Partitioning for the Treatment of Malignant Gastric Outlet Obstruction”

The manuscript was revised according to the reviewers’ comments and response to each question is provided bellow. Text modifications are highlighted in red.

We are glad for the opportunity to send the revised manuscript to this renowned journal.

Thank you in advance for your time.

Respectfully,

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Response to the Reviewer(s)' Comments

Reviewer #1

However, about the issue of delayed gastric emptying, please explain why GP plus GJ could have better result than GJ alone. Please explain the mechanism or state your hypothesis.

The possible mechanism of improvement of gastric emptying was added to the discussion section.

Reviewer #3

Therefore, the author should clarify the clinical background of selecting procedure with gastric partitioning instead of the gastrojejunostomy.

The decision of which procedure should be performed was defined by the surgeon responsible for each case. This information was added to the text. This is a limitation of our study and was previously described in the discussion section. To overcome this limitation a prospective trial is ongoing.