

Dear Dr. Ze-Mao Gong,

Thank you very much for your decision letter and advice on our manuscript (Manuscript # 50965) entitled “**Bouveret syndrome: a case report and literature review**”. We also thank the reviewers for the constructive and positive comments and suggestions. Accordingly, we have revised the manuscript. All amendments are highlighted in red in the revised manuscript. In addition, point-by-point responses to the comments are listed below this letter. We agree to get the manuscript published in World Journal of Clinical Cases.

This revised manuscript has been edited and proofread by *Medjaden Bioscience Limited*.

We hope that the revision is acceptable for the publication in your journal.

Look forward to hearing from you soon.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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First of all, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to the reviewers for their constructive and positive comments.

Replies to Editor's Comments

However, due to the interesting topical scope of your manuscript (Manuscript NO: 50965), we can accept it to be published in the World Journal of Clinical Cases (WJCC), another journal of the Baishideng Publishing Group (BPG). If you are willing to publish your manuscript in WJCC, you must first revise your manuscript according to the reviewers' comments that have been provided.

Response: Thank you for your suggestion. We agree to get the revised manuscript published in World Journal of Clinical Cases.

Replies to Reviewers

Reviewer #1: It's a great effort on your part to write a rare case up, however defining novelty in a case report is an important consideration

Response: Thank you very much for your recognition and encouragement.

Reviewer #2: This is a case report of Bouveret syndrome. It was well-written and concise. The clinical manifestation, diagnostic sequence, clinical management were well described. There are two questions for the authors:

1. Can the authors describe the reasons for adopting the open instead of the laparoscopic version of surgical management?

Response: Thank you for your query. Considering the patient's long course of disease, CT findings of cholecystoduodenal fistula, and possibility of severe adhesions, open cholecystectomy with duodenal stone extraction and fistula repair were planned over laparoscopic treatment.

2. There is one minor word error in the case report.

Response: Thank you for your comment. We have critically proofread the whole manuscript again and corrected the grammatical and typographical mistakes in the manuscript.

Reviewer #3: Congratulations on your case report. It is well written and documented and the images are very well selected. My suggestion would be to add some marks to the images, especially to the CT images, to draw attention to the pathological findings discussed. Also, intra-operative images would be a nice addition if they are available.

Response: Thank you very much for your affirmation and encouragement. Unfortunately, we don't have the intra-operative images.