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Lian-Sheng Ma
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Dear Prof. Lian-Sheng Ma,

We wish to resubmit the manuscript titled "EUS-measured muscular thickness of the lower esophageal sphincter and long-term prognosis after peroral endoscopic myotomy." The manuscript ID is 54587.

We would like to thank you and the reviewers for the positive evaluation of our manuscript. We have carefully read all comments and suggestions and have revised the manuscript accordingly. The constructive suggestions have helped improve both the quality and clarity of the manuscript. We hope that the revised paper is now acceptable for publication in *World Journal of Gastroenterology*. Our point-by-point responses to the reviewers' comments are appended below.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
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Science Editors' comments:

(1) I found the authors did not provide the approved grant application form(s). Please upload the approved grant application form(s) or funding agency copy of any approval document(s);

Answer:

Thank you. We have uploaded related funding document.

(2) I found the authors did not provide the original figures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor;

Answer:

Thank you. All the line drawings in our work were automatically generated with software. We have provided the labels/values of the ordinate and abscissa in text boxes. Additionally, we have uploaded and embedded all figures into PowerPoint.

(3) I found the authors did not write the "article highlight" section. Please

write the “article highlights” section at the end of the main text;

Answer:

Thank you for the reminder. We have added this section at the end of the main text.

(4) Please don't include any *, #, †, §, ‡, ¥, @....in your manuscript; Please use superscript numbers for illustration; and for statistical significance, please use superscript letters. Statistical significance is expressed as $aP < 0.05$, $bP < 0.01$ ($P > 0.05$ usually does not need to be denoted). If there are other series of P values, $cP < 0.05$ and $dP < 0.01$ are used, and a third series of P values is expressed as $eP < 0.05$ and $fP < 0.01$.

Answer:

Thank you. We have revised all P values and illustrations in the tables.

Reviewer #1:

1.The references should be updated with latest ones.

Answer:

Thank you for your suggestion. We have updated the references.

2.The section of article highlight is missing.

Answer:

Thank you for your suggestion. We have added the article highlight at the end of the main text.

Reviewer #2:

1.The format of references should be modified.

Answer:

Thank you for your suggestion. We have modified the formatting of the references as required.

2. Please write the P value correctly.

Answer:

Thank you for your suggestion. We have adjusted the P value formatting and added the specific values for nonsignificant P values.

Reviewer #3:

1.Some minor language polishing should be corrected.

Answer:

Thank you for your suggestion. We used the services of Editage to edit the manuscript for language, word usage, and flow. We have also attached a language certification for our revised manuscript.

2.Units of time should be mo, wk, and d instead of month, week, and day.

Answer:

Thank you. We have revised the units of time as suggested.