

Response to the reviewers

General Note:

The reviewer's comments were copied from the *World Journal of Clinical Cases* Editor Decision Letter without changes. And it is of importance for us that the reviewer put forward many suggestions.

Our responses addressing individual comments and critiques are intercalated below.

According to the writing guide from the website, we have revised the title, "abstract" part and the "reference".

Specific points:

1. Page 3, line 3 "reference this".

Response: The reference has been added to the sentence.

2. Page 4, line 4 "This needs to be changed. You used student's t test for continuous variables. What is an unpaired t test? Please elaborate. Numbers are low so you cannot use a parametric test, you have to choose a non parametric test."

Response: Thank you for your suggestions on the statistical method described in the manuscript. There exists a mistake in writing and actually we used paired t test for the comparison of preoperative and postoperative VAS score. Considering the VAS score is a continuous variable and the we compared the preoperative and postoperative VAS score for the same people, we chose paired t test. In order to verify the rationality of using paired t test, we performed the normality test on the difference of preoperative and postoperative VAS score via SPSS and it turn out to be the significance is 0.200

(using Kolmogorov-Smirnov), which means the data are normally distributed.

3. Page 4, line 14-24 “Please use past tense”.

Response: Past tense has been applied in the paragraph.

4. Page 5, line 1 “Specify what is this”.

Response: Gestrinone is a anti-progesterone drug that has been widely used for endometriosis all over the world.

5. Page 6, line 9 “colorectal surgeon?”.

Response: Sorry for the misunderstanding. We have corrected according to your suggestions.

6. Page 6, line 11 “bowel preparation (how?? Specify)”.

Response: On the day before surgery the patients were required to have liquid-only diet and to drink 2 to 3 L Sulfate-free Polyethylene Glycol Electrolyte solution (PEG-ELS). Cleansing enema was performed before the surgery for some patients with unsatisfactory bowel preparation after taking PEG-ELS.

7. Page 6, line 32 “What’s this?”.

Response: “hemorrhage” has been changed to “heavy bleeding”.

8. Page 8, line 6 “Whole discussion segment is far too long. You are not writing a book. Please rewrite and make it more concise.”.

Response: We have re-wrote and simplified the discussion part.