

Dear Editors and Reviewers:

We are very grateful for the careful and thorough review given to our manuscript entitled **“The role of minimally invasive techniques in gastrointestinal surgery: Current status and perspectives”** (Manuscript NO. 64030). We have made corrections in the revised manuscript and provided clarifications and additional data to address the reviewers’ comments accordingly. The comments are valuable and are responded point by point. Thus, our manuscript is improved and we hope it is now be acceptable for publication in World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery. The main revisions are as flowing:

**Responds to the editor’s request:**

1. Please resolve all language issues in the manuscript based on the peer review report.

**Authors’ response:** We have polished the manuscript in AJE (This certificate was issued on April 12, 2021 and may be verified on the AJE website using the verification code 9E54-4CB7-C7EC-2986-5618).

2. Request: Authors must revise the manuscript according to the Editorial Office’s comments and suggestions.

**Authors’ response:** Thank you for your comments. We have revised the article as required.

**Responds to the reviewer's request:**

1. Authors present a review of a very interesting surgical technique in the treatment of gastrointestinal cancer (by means of minimally invasive methods). I have no specific comments. Line 268: "cstage" must be changed by "stage".

**Authors' response:** We thank the reviewer for this polite comment. We have revised it (222).