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Title: Short-term efficacy of laparoscopic-assisted radical gastrectomy versus open radical gastrectomy in patients with gastric cancer

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

Yes

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

A total of 400 patients with gastric cancer aged ≤ 65 years who were treated at General Hospital of Lanzhou Military Region were enrolled. Among these patients, 200 patients underwent laparoscopic radical gastrectomy between October 2008 and August 2012 (LARG group); and 200 patients underwent open radical gastrectomy between March 2000 and September 2008 (ORG group). The short-term therapeutic benefits between the two groups were analyzed.

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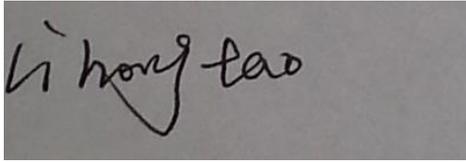
In our study, all data were collected from 400 patients with gastric cancer who underwent resection of primary tumour at General Hospital of Lanzhou Military Region from 2000-2012. Before 2008, all patients with gastric cancer were underwnet open radical gastrectomy. After 2008, all patients with gastric cancer were underwnet laparoscopic radical gastrectomy.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Yes

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

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