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### **Answering reviewers**

Responses to comments from Reviewer #1:

The author should add an introduction in which objectives of the review should be described. Otherwise the manuscript is a comprehensive and objective review of Endoscopic surgery now and in the near future.

*Response: We have added on the objective of this review article in the "introduction section", and the add-on is shown using yellow highlight. We have also revised the core tip writing to emphasize on the objective of this article with a view to attract readers that are interested in latest innovation and its safety profile of endoscopic surgery.*

Responses to comments from Reviewer #2:

This is a review article regarding current developments of endoscopic surgery. The paper is well written and informative. There are some typos that should be corrected. There are no figure legends for Figure 1-3. Especially, readers may not understand what is shown in Figure 3 unless legends are provided.

*Response: In accordance to the suggestion of reviewer #2, we have added descriptive text to Figure 1 and 3. Step by step explanation is provided.*

We hope that the revisions in the manuscript and our accompanying responses will be sufficient to make our manuscript suitable for publication World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery.

We shall look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

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