

Dear Editors and Reviewers,

Thank you for your invitation and consideration for our manuscript (ESPS MS No. 32895) to the *World Journal of Gastroenterology (WJG)*.

We have carefully revised our manuscript according to the reviewer's comments, and addressed each below. We hope that our revised manuscript is suitable for publication in the *WJG*. If you have any questions or further comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you again for your time and dedication.

Regards,

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Reviewer's comments 1 by 00009760:

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Comments to Authors

Clearly-written review manuscript on 25 years of laparoscopic liver resection. Good reference paper describing advantages, disadvantages and development of LLR. I commend the authors for their review.

**Response to Reviewer 1:** Thank you so much for your encouraging comments.

Reviewer's comments 2 by 00057645

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Comments to Authors

Well written review about laparoscopic liver resection with historical description of the evolution of the technique and of different type of resection. I would be interesting for the readers to have more information in major LLR and the differences between left and right hepatectomies.

**Response to reviewer 2:** Thank you for your encouraging comments and insightful suggestion. We have now augmented our presentation of major LLR and the differences between left and right hepatectomies. Please see page 8, line 23 through page 9, line 11.