

Reply to the reviewers' comments

Dear Editor-in-Chief,

We thank you for your decision letter for our manuscript entitled "**Changing trends in the minimally invasive surgery for corrosive esophagogastric stricture**". We have considered the reviewer's comments and provided below a point-by-point answer to each of them. Changes have been incorporated and highlighted in the revised manuscript. We are grateful to the reviewers for their comments, which helped us improve the manuscript. We hope you find this revised version suitable for publication in your esteemed journal.

With kind regards,

Authors

Response to comments

Reviewer 1

- 1. A very good review on the complexity around benign oesophageal disorder that require major resection and nicely highlighted in good details of different approach with description of surgical technique.**

We thank the reviewers for the positive comments.

Reviewer 2

- 1. The authors introduced the surgical methods for corrosive esophagogastric strictures, including the innovative total laparoscopic procedures in detail. Surgical manipulations for esophageal or gastric strictures were complex even for open surgeries, let alone total laparoscopic ones. From this point of view, this manuscript made us easier to learn the surgical manipulations for corrosive esophagogastric stricture comprehensively. The writing style and language organization of this manuscript were clear and brief. The elaboration of some surgical portions, the authors only mentioned one reference article or authors, I wonder if there has been only one reference article existence till now. If yes, it was all right.**

We thank the reviewers for the positive comments. As mentioned by the reviewer, minimally invasive surgery for corrosive esophagogastric stricture is slow to evolve. Hence, techniques like laparoscopic Billroth I gastrectomy for

corrosive gastric stricture have only one publication. Therefore, we quoted only one reference for those techniques in the review.

Editors comments

- 1. Please provide decomposable Figures (in which all components are movable and editable), organize them into a single PowerPoint file.**
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- 2. Authors are required to provide standard three-line tables, that is, only the top line, bottom line, and column line are displayed, while other table lines are hidden**

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