

Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 11531-review.doc).

Title: Laparoscopic splenectomy for the splenic littoral cell angioma

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

1 Format has been updated

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

(1) How many ports do they use, usually? And their site should be also described.

Reply: Thanks for your suggestions. We have added the details of ports in the "Materials and Methods" section.

(2) The standard size and length of linear stapler used for cutting splenic hilum should be noted.

Reply: Thanks for your suggestion. We have added the size and length of linear stapler used for cutting splenic hilum.

(3) The authors used morcellator for specimen retrieval from 12mm-incision port. They commented that the morcellation did not disturb the histological examination. Readers may want to see the pathological picture of the specimen thus extracted.

Reply: Thanks for your suggestion. We have added the pathological picture of the specimen extracted from 12-mm port.

(4) In the first line of Abstract is better to use: "The study aim is to identify...." In the Results, 19th line of 5th page, there isn't the unit of measurement of spleen size. In the Results, 2nd line of 6th page, there isn't the unit of measurement of blood loss. In the Discussion, in 7th line of 7th page, it's necessary to report if the "only two patients" (who suffered from LCA) are adult or children.

Reply: Thanks for your suggestions. All the mistakes have been corrected.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,



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