

ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 1315-revision.doc).

Title: Extended Antimicrobial Prophylaxis after Gastric Cancer Surgery: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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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) Please add a Running Title should be needed as no more than 6 words/60 bytes.

We thank the reviewer and the suggestion. We have added a Running Title as "Extended Antimicrobial Prophylaxis after gastrectomy".

(2) For manuscripts submitted by non-native speakers of English, please provide language certificate by professional English language editing companies mentioned in 'Letter to the authors'.

We fully agreed with the reviewer and thank the suggestion. This manuscript has been reviewed and edited by Jing-Yun Ma Editorial Office and the language certificate has been provided.

(3) Methods should be no less than 100 words. Please revise it.

We thank the reviewer and the suggestion. We have revised it. (See in the abstract of this paper)

(4) At least 26 references should be included, which all references need PubMed citation numbers and DOI citation to the reference list.

We thank the reviewer and the suggestion. We have added and revised the references accordingly.

(5) Please write comments for your article. Writing requirement see the file named "Format of Original Articles" or "Format of Brief Articles"

We thank the reviewer and the suggestion. We have added such information accordingly.

(6) Please add 'descomposable figure' of all pictures (except for photos) which will be easy for type setting. Explanations: An 'descomposable figure' is a figure whose lines, symbols and words - all of the objects are separated and could be moved and edited instead of a whole picture- which could not be edited by objects but only can change the size or resolution.

We fully understand the reviewer's concerns and thank the reviewer. All the figures are photos and all the tables are descomposable. Hopefully, the figures and tables are acceptable.

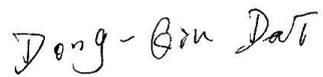
(7) The Figures are numerous and as the results are given clearly in the text they could be omitted, but the Tables should be included.

We fully agreed with the reviewer and have deleted the Figures accordingly.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dong-Qiu Dai". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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