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**Re: Re-submission of invited review (ESPS Manuscript NO: 23720)**

Dear Lian-Sheng Ma,

First of all, the authors would like to thank the editorial office for your positive reply and for giving us the opportunity to publish our manuscript in your journal.

Herewith we would like to resubmit our revised manuscript entitled “Minimally invasive surgery for inflammatory bowel disease: Review of current developments and future perspectives” for publication in *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Pharmacology and Therapeutics*.

All comments of the reviewers have been addressed and the manuscript itself has been shortened. All changes to the manuscript have been highlighted in yellow.

We believe the suggestions by the reviewers have helped to substantially improve the manuscript and hope that it is acceptable for publication in its revised form.

Should you have further questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact me at any time.

Sincerely yours,

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