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Dear Editor,



Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 2429-review.doc).

Title: Appropriateness, Endoscopic Finding and Contributive Yield of Pediatric Gastrointestinal Endoscopy

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Reviewer # 1

1. Many thanks for the suggestion for adding a statement on the use of the ASGE Guidelines on adult and pediatric endoscopic practices. This has been added in the 'Introduction' (page 4 , para 4).
2. There is at present, no study on the indication of pediatric endoscopic practice from Asian countries. Therefore it is difficult to make any statement on the comparison between the practice of pediatric gastrointestinal endoscopy between the East and the West.
3. The authors agree that the patients studied have a wide age range. This is certainly a limitation to the study and has been added in the 'Discussion' part of the amended manuscript (page 13, para 3).
4. The authors also agree the endoscopies in the present study were conducted by experienced pediatric endoscopists in a university hospital setting and the experience of the paper may not be applicable in a wider setting. This has been highlighted in the 'Discussion' section in the amended manuscript (page 13, para 3).
5. The anesthetic technique and the anesthetic drugs used in the study have been added in the amended manuscript (Methods: page 7, para 1). Many thanks for this helpful suggestion.

6. The result of the present audit is applicable into routine medical care. This has been added in the amended manuscript (page 13, para 4). Many thanks for the helpful suggestion.

Reviewer # 2

Many thanks for the words of encouragement. The authors greatly appreciated the encouraging words.

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

Sincerely yours,

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