

Dear Editors and Reviewers:

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewers, comments concerning our manuscript entitled “Usefulness of the patch repair portal vein using the hepatic ligamentum teres for laparoscopic pancreatoduodenectomy: a case report” (Manuscript NO: 48012). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our manuscript, as well as the important guiding significance to our case. We have studied comments carefully and have made correction which we hope meet with approval.

Revised portion are marked in red in the paper. The main corrections in the paper and the responds to the reviewers comments are as flowing

Responds to the reviewers comments

1. It is really true as Reviewer suggested that artificial vascular graft for repairing the portal vein in this setting have advantages such as good of strength and mechanical fatigue resistance, we revised our manuscript and marked in red.

2. ERAS embodies the idea of fine management of perioperative period for surgical patients and has a positive significance in improving the safety and shortening the hospitalization time of patients. A PD perioperative ERAS guide was published in Europe in 2012. In this case, the operation was difficult and digestive tract reconstruction was needed, but it could still benefit from the measures of ERAS. The results showed that the patients had less pain, got out of bed early after the operation, recovered gastrointestinal function quickly, and the length of hospitalization after the operation has been shortened, and so on. It shows that ERAS measures can also be performed in patients with LPD during the perioperative period.

We tried our best to improve the manuscript and made some changes in the manuscript. These changes will not influence the content and framework of the paper. And here we did not list the changes but marked in red in revised paper.

We appreciate for Editors and Reviewers warm work earnestly, and hope that the

correction will meet with approval.

Once again, thank you very much for your comments and suggestions.

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