

Dear Editors,

Thank you very much for your letter and the reviewers' comments. These comments make us find the inadequacies of our article. Please convey our sincere thanks to the reviewers.

Based on the reviewers' comments, we have made several modifications on the original manuscript. For easy check, these revised parts in this version of the manuscript have been highlighted in red. And, we have carefully replied the comments from the reviewers and have made a list of responses to the comments in point-by-point fashion, which can be found below.

Thank you again for your assistance.

If you have any questions regarding this manuscript, please feel free to contact me. We are looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Best regards,

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**Reviewer #1:**

Thank you for your comments. Based on your comments, we have made the modifications on the original manuscript and have also made some explanation as below.

**Comment 1:** The authors indicated that "Discussion, 1st line...its not dubois but Erich Muhe who did first lap cholecystectomy in 1985. [Reynolds W Jr. The first laparoscopic cholecystectomy. JLS 2001; 5(1): 89-94]".

**Response:** Thank you. Based on your comments, we have critically reviewed the literature. We accept the comments from the reviewers and make the modification which have been highlighted in red.