

## Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 6551-review.doc).

**Title:** Endoscopic-ultrasound: From diagnosis to therapeutic implications

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**Name of Journal:** *World Journal of Gastroenterology*

**ESPS Manuscript NO:** 6551

We would like to thank the reviewers for their constructive criticisms, and positive remarks. We have prepared a revision of our manuscript, as per the suggestions given. In the current version, we extensively reviewed the language, grammars, flow of ideas. We have incorporated all the changes suggested by the reviewers and would like to give a point-by-point reply to their comments below:

### **Response to the editor**

- 1- The title page contents: all changes requested were done as per suggestions, including the affiliations, the postal code,...etc.
- 2- Keyword: are added as requested
- 3- Abstract is enlarged to 200 words
- 4- Core tip: is added as requested
- 5- References in text: are corrected, as per editor style request
- 6- References: are repaired, as regard the PMID and DOI. However, some references are lacking DOI.

**Response to the Reviewer #1:**

**The reviewer commented** "This is a high-quality and well-organized review. However, some grammatical errors should be corrected: e.g. page 5, 'On comparing'; page 6, 'The main shortcomings reported were the difficult intubation the esophagus.'

Thank you for this comment

**Author response:** A hard polish for language was done.

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**Response to the Reviewer #2:**

**The reviewer commented** "Pretty comprehensive review.

**Author response:** Thank you for this comment

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**Response to the Reviewer #3:**

**The reviewer commented** "Well done review. I will recommend publishing. After addressing two issues 1) Please add the following reference to the EUS guided biliary drainage references: Chavalitdhamrong D, Draganov PV. Endoscopic ultrasound-guided biliary drainage. *World J Gastroenterol*. 2012 Feb 14;18(6):491-7. PMID: 22363114

**Author response:** Thank you. We incorporated this reference in place (Ref. No 35).

2) Please add to the EUS fiducial placement paragraph the following reference. Draganov PV, Chavalitdhamrong D, Wagh MS. Evaluation of a new endoscopic ultrasound-guided multi-fiducial delivery system: A prospective non-survival study in a live porcine model. *Dig Endosc*. 2013 Nov;25(6):615-21. PubMed PMID: 23489989.

**Author response:** Thank you. We incorporated this reference in place (Ref. No 61).

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

Sincerely yours,

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