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Dear Editor,

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated.

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer.

The major goal of the survey was to evaluate the proportion of various treatment modalities for BCS in China. Additionally, as mentioned in the original submission, we did not evaluate the safety and efficacy of various treatment modalities and prognosis of BCS patients due to the difficulty in data collection.

Indeed, we have to acknowledge that lots of time has been paid for assessing the relevant studies and collecting the data. Initially, we intended to collect the data regarding the efficacy and safety. However, this work was very difficult to be done due to the following reasons. First, there are different types of BCS, follow-up length, and criteria for assessing the efficacy and safety among studies. Second, in some studies in which different treatment modalities were employed, only the combined results of all treatment modalities were reported, but the separate result of one treatment modality were not available. Third, the information regarding the number of patients who were lost to follow-up was often unavailable.

Thus, we have emphasized the limitation in the revised manuscript again. We sincerely wished that the editors could understand the potential limitation of our paper.

3 References and typesetting were corrected.

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

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