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Subject: Ms. No. 88995

Dear World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology Editorial Office,

Thank you for your letter and the opportunity to revise my paper "*Dual Primary Gastric and Colorectal Cancer (DPGCC): A Complex Challenge in Surgical Oncology*"

The suggestions offered by the reviewers have been immensely helpful, and we also appreciate the insightful comments on revising the abstract and other aspects of the paper.

I have included the reviewers' comments in this letter and responded to them individually, explaining exactly how we addressed each concern and describing the changes we made. The revised manuscript is uploaded on the submission website.

We hope the revised manuscript will better suit the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology but we are happy to consider further revisions, and we thank you for your interest in our research.

Sincerely,

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## **Reviewer Comments and Author Responses**

### **Reviewer #1:**

#### **Comment 1:**

The manuscript entitled "Dual Primary Gastric and Colorectal Cancer (DPGCC): A Complex Challenge in Surgical Oncology" introduces dual primary gastric and colorectal cancer. The manuscript is well written. I recommend publication of the manuscript.

#### ***Response 1:***

Thank you. I am delighted to hear that you found my manuscript well-written and support its publication. Your positive evaluation of my work is encouraging, and I am dedicated to enhancing the quality of this research further. Your endorsement is indeed a vote of confidence in the significance of the topic and the importance of disseminating my findings to the scientific community.

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### **Reviewer #2:**

#### **Comment 1:**

This is an interesting topic. It is recommended to revise the abstract to make it more concise. If the indications for surgery can be involved, it would be more consistent with the topic.

#### ***Response 1:***

I really appreciate the reviewer suggestion. I revised the abstract accordingly, adding also the “surgical” indications issue. Additionally, English language has been improved.