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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 7643-revised.doc).

Title: Laparoscopic liver resection for malignancy: A review analysis.

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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 reviewers

-A background section including what is the paper about, the main focus and history of laparoscopic liver resection was added

-A conclusion is added

-The methods and results is part of the article body not the abstract

-The tables are numbered, titled, and have references added

-Page numbers added

-Table#1: added type of tumor columns

-A number of important references have been added:

Nguyen KT, et al, Minimally invasive liver resection for metastatic colorectal cancer: a multi-institutional, international report of safety, feasibility, and early outcomes. *Ann Surg.* 2009; 250:842-848.

Nguyen KT, et al, Comparative benefits of laparoscopic versus open hepatic resection: a critical appraisal. *Arch Surg.* 2011; 146:348-56. 7.

Tsung A, et al. Robotic Versus Laparoscopic Hepatectomy: A Matched Comparison. *Ann Surg.* 2013 Sep 16.

Guerron,A.D. et al. Laparoscopic versus open resection of colorectal liver metastasis. *Surg.Endosc.*, 2013, 27, 4, 1138-1143

-The largest series of major hepatectomy have been corrected to Dagher et al 2009

3 References and typesetting were corrected

4 Revised parts of the manuscripts have been highlighted

5 The disadvantages of laparoscopic liver resection were discussed

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

Sincerely yours,

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