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Re: World Journal of Clinical Cases – **Manuscript No. 83427**

Title: Endoscopic ultrasound-guided transrectal drainage of a pelvic abscess after Hinchey II sigmoid colon diverticulitis – a case report

Dear Reviewers,

Thank you for your email dated 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023. We have revised the manuscript according to the recommendations of the reviewers. We would like to submit the final version to the Journal. Below are our replies to the comments of the reviewers, as well as the modifications that were introduced in the revised version of the manuscript.

Thank you and best regards,

On behalf of all authors,

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**Reviewer #1:**

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)

Conclusion: Accept (General priority)

**Specific Comments to Authors:** The data collection of this case is very detailed and the description is very accurate which has certain reference value for clinical diagnosis and treatment. However, some key information in the figures should be marked. For example the abscess site, the stent site. So that the presentation information provided will be more detailed.

**Reply:** We thank the reviewer for his/her valuable review and comments. The key information (abscess site and the stent site) has been added in the figures.

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**Reviewer #2:**

Scientific Quality: Grade C (Good)

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Conclusion: Rejection

**Specific Comments to Authors:** Successfully managed case. A case series will be better.

**Reply:** We thank the reviewer for his/her valuable review and comments. At the time of writing, we performed transrectal drainage in Hinchey II sigmoid colon diverticulitis only in one patient. However, as more patients will be treated in a similar manner, a case series might follow.

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**Reviewer #3:**

Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Conclusion: Minor revision

**Specific Comments to Authors:** it seems that the techniques used by the author can be developed further into a more precise realm.

**Reply:** We thank the reviewer for his/her valuable review and comments.