

Dear editor:

I appreciate your acceptance of my paper for publication in the World Journal of Gastroenterology. I thank you for the valuable comments on this paper and have made the following adjustments accordingly.

Reviewer #1

The manuscript is quite well written. The authors report a prospective, multi-center, randomized controlled trial on Hp-infected patients. It would be useful to discuss PMID: 20695744.

Reviewer #2

This work by Lee et al. studies the concomitant therapy in the eradication of H. pylori infection and compared it with three other treatment regimens. The results find that concomitant therapy achieved the highest eradication rate at about 90%. These results are in line with current concept that has been reported in the literature. The data collection, analysis is performed correctly, but manuscript needs much grammatical improvements, and it is recommended that authors will revise the manuscript to make it a better shape.

Minor points:

1. Throughout the text, grammatical errors, such as the use of article “the” are very common, especially in the abstract, introduction and discussion sections.

(Answer) We agree with your comment and have revised the abstract, introduction and discussion sections.

2. The manuscript has two “Table 1”, two “Table 3”, at this stage of submission, I could not figure out why errors like this can happen.

(Answer) We have made the adjustments in Table.

3. In Discussion section, the last sentences is very confusing, it is hard to understand what is the point that authors are trying to deliver, “therefore....therapy”, please clarify and make it easier to understand.

(Answer) We agree with your comment and have omitted the last sentences as follow;
~~Therefore, if we choose concomitant therapy, with a 94.4% success rate as the first-line~~

~~therapy, rather than PAC therapy with a 76.2% success rate; additionally, the number needed to treat is 5.49, suggesting that 1 out of 6 patients can be treated with the first-line eradication therapy.~~

4. In figure 1, the 2nd eradication parts, is there a better way to label the ITT and PP patients, since the numbers are not easily counted before performing extensive text reading.

(Answer) We have made the adjustments in Figure 1.

Thank you very much.

Respectfully yours,

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