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Dear Editors,

The authors would like to thank the reviewers and the editors for their comments on our manuscript (Manuscript NO.: 71838, Review) provided during the review process for submission to *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

As the reviewers did not suggest revisions on the content of the manuscript, the only changes that have been made to the manuscript are for language editing and table formatting.

As suggested by science editor, the language editing on the manuscript has been performed by American Journal Experts (AJE). The language editing certificate is included as part of our revised submission.

To respond to the comments from the company editor in chief, the tables have been altered to comply with the required 3-line table format, with carriage returns removed and replaced with periods to divide items within cells.

We hope that the revisions made on this manuscript address the concerns that have arisen during the review process.

Sincerely,

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