

[14-Jan-2024]

Dear Company editor-in-chief,

We wish to resubmit our manuscript titled “**Comparison of prognosis and postoperative morbidities between standard pancreaticoduodenectomy and the TRIANGLE technique for resectable pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma**” (manuscript NO.90990) for your consideration for publication in *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery*.

We would like to thank you and the reviewers for providing valuable comments on our manuscript; we have revised the text accordingly and per your request, we have highlighted the revisions. In addition, we had our manuscript edited by a professional English language editing company (MedE Editing Group). We hope our manuscript is now acceptable for publication in your esteemed journal.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you again.

Sincerely,

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Responses to the reviewers and editors:

Reviewer #1:

Summary Hang et al. retrospectively analyzed the utility of the TRIANGLE technique in pancreaticoduodenectomy. Although it is a retrospective analysis, the study is conducted on a well-controlled population, and the analysis accounted for the high incidence of complications associated with the TRIANGLE technique with sufficient adjustment for confounding factors. Long-term prognosis is also examined, indicating reliable statistical analysis. Considering these factors, I believe this paper is acceptable for publication.

Response:

We thank the reviewer for this positive evaluation of our manuscript.

Science editor:

1 Conflict of interest statement: Academic Editor has no conflict of interest.

Response:

We thank you for your comments.

2 Scientific quality: The author submitted a study of comparison of prognosis and postoperative morbidities between standard pancreaticoduodenectomy and the TRIANGLE technique for resectable pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma. The manuscript is overall qualified.

(1) Advantages and disadvantages: The reviewer have given positive peer-review reports for the manuscript. Classification: Grade B; Language Quality: Grade A. This study retrospectively analyzed the utility of the TRIANGLE technique in pancreaticoduodenectomy. Although it is a retrospective analysis, the study is conducted on a well-controlled population, and the analysis accounted for the high incidence of complications associated with the TRIANGLE technique with sufficient adjustment for confounding factors. Long-term prognosis is also examined, indicating reliable statistical analysis.

(2) Main manuscript content: The author clearly stated the purpose of the study and the research structure is complete. However, the manuscript is still required a further revision according to the detailed comments listed below.

Response:

We thank you for the positive comments and valuable suggestions. We have revised our manuscript according to the detailed comments.

(3) Table(s) and figure(s): There are 4 Figures and 4 Tables should be improved. Detailed suggestions for each are listed in the specific comments section.

(4) References: A total of 35 references are cited, including 19 published in the last 3 years. The reviewer didn't request the authors to cite improper references published by him/herself.

Response:

Considering your suggestion, we have improved the Figures and Tables according to the detailed suggestions listed in the specific comments section.

3 Language evaluation: The English-language grammatical presentation needs to be improved to a certain extent. There are many errors in grammar and format, throughout the entire manuscript. Before final acceptance, the authors must provide the English Language Certificate issued by a professional English language editing company. Please visit the following website for the professional English language editing companies we recommend: <https://www.wjgnet.com/bpg/gerinfo/240>.

Response:

We had our manuscript edited by a professional English language editing company (MedE Editing Group) as you recommended and the English Language Certificate was also issued.

4 Specific comments: (1) Please provide the filled conflict-of-interest disclosure form.

Response:

We have uploaded the filled conflict-of-interest disclosure form per your request.

(2) Please provide the Figures cited in the original manuscript in the form of PPT. All text can be edited, including A,B, arrows, etc. With respect to the reference to the Figure, please verify if it is an original image created for the manuscript, if not, please provide the source of the picture and the proof that the Figure has been authorized by the previous publisher or copyright owner to allow it to be redistributed. All legends are incorrectly formatted and require a general title and explanation for each figure. Such as Figure 1 title. A: ; B: ; C: .

Response:

Considering your suggestions, we have provide the Figures cited in the original manuscript in the form of PPT and all text can be edited. We also verify these images are original and created for the manuscript. Finally, all legends were correctly formatted and a general title and explanation for each figure was provided.

(3) Please provide all fund documents [National Natural Science Foundation of China, No. 31971518].

Response:

We have uploaded the fund document [National Natural Science Foundation of China, No. 31971518].

(4) Title: The title cannot exceed 18 words.

Response:

Thank you for your valuable suggestion and the title were revised as “Comparison of prognosis and postoperative morbidities between standard pancreaticoduodenectomy and the TRIANGLE technique for resectable pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma”.

(5) The “Article Highlights” section is missing. Please add the “Article Highlights” section at the end of the main text (and directly before the References).

Response:

We have added the “Article Highlights” section at the end of the main text (and directly before the References).

5 Recommendation: Conditional acceptance.

Response:

Special thanks to you again for your positive comments and valuable suggestions.

Company editor-in-chief:

I recommend the manuscript to be published in the *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery*.

When revising the manuscript, it is recommended that the author supplement and improve the highlights of the latest cutting-edge research results, thereby further improving the content of the manuscript. To this end, authors are advised to apply PubMed, or a new tool, the Reference Citation Analysis (RCA), of which data source is PubMed. RCA is a unique artificial intelligence system for citation index evaluation of medical science and life science literature. In it, upon obtaining search results from the keywords entered by the author, "Impact Index Per Article" under "Ranked by" should be selected to find the latest highlight articles, which can then be used to further improve an article under preparation/peer-review/revision. Please visit our RCA database for more information at: <https://www.referencecitationanalysis.com/>, or visit PubMed at: <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/>.

Response:

First of all, thank you very much for the positive comment and valuable suggestion. As you recommended, we have applied RCA to supplement the highlights and further improve our article.