

Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 5203-review.doc).

Title: Treatment of perforated giant gastric ulcer in emergency setting

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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 reviewer

-Reviewer(1)-The aim of study has been changed as stated: investigation reports,operative details and postprocedural management has been included.

Age and sex has been mentioned because according to studies on gastric ulcer perforation,it usually occurs beyond the middle span of life.The long history of most of these patients requires that they no longer be in the young age group, our study is in agreement with this(All our patients were >45 years of age) The preponderance of males is in agreement with the usual sex distribution of gastric ulcer disease.

Uneventful recovery rate, complications rate and mortality rate has been included in results

The different influence of different treatments on the clinical outcome of patients with perforated giant gastric ulcer has been included in discussion.

-Reviewer (2) According to Sabiston Textbook of Surgery,17th Edition, Vol 2, pg 1294-"For perforated type 1 ulcer in haemodynamically stable patient, distal gastrectomy with billroth I is usually performed"

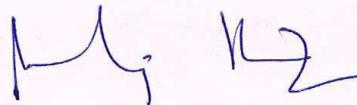
-According to Sabiston Textbook of Surgery,17th Edition, Vol 2, pg 1295-".....Giant gastric ulcers have a high likelihood of complications....The operation of choice is RESECTION including ulcer bed....In the high risk patient a local excision may be considered ; otherwise resection has highest chance for successful outcome."

We are not aware about choice of treatment being dependent on duration of perforation.

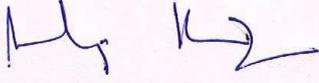
As the incidence of **Giant** gastric ulcer is not high in our practice,our sample size is small and for same reason randomization was not done .

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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



Sincerely yours,



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