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Lian-Sheng Ma, Editorial Office Director, Company Editor-in-Chief, Editorial Office

Re: **Manuscript Type:** Review (Invited)

**Invited Manuscript ID:** 04477729

**Barrett's esophagus: review of natural history and comparative efficacy of  
endoscopic and surgical therapies**

Dear Dr. Ma, Reviewers, Science editor and Company editor-in-chief

Thank you for kindly reviewing our manuscript entitled 'Barrett's esophagus: review of natural history and comparative efficacy of endoscopic and surgical therapies' we submitted to the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology. We carefully revised the manuscript according to the reviewer's and editor's recommendations. For your convenience the reviewers' and editors' comments are repeated in bold in the response. We hope that the revised manuscript meets the high standards of the journal. We are more than happy to provide any further information or make further revisions.

Sincerely,

Kevin Kyung Ho Choi, BSc (hons), MBBS

Santosh Sanagapalli, BSc (Med), MBBS, FRACP

***Reviewer #1:***

**Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)**

**Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)**

**Conclusion: Accept (General priority)**

**Specific Comments to Authors:** This work proposes an extensive review of natural history and the risk of cancer progression for Barrett's esophagus, and it also focuses on the efficacy of endoscopic and surgical therapies for Barrett's esophagus. However, these are very well-established techniques; some novelties on them may assist the physician in the therapeutic decision-making process. In future work, interventions to address the role of the different histological stages of Barrett's esophagus are required. Thus the paper is worthy of publication.

We thank the reviewer for the response and feedback.

***Reviewer #2:***

**Scientific Quality: Grade A (Excellent)**

**Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)**

**Conclusion: Accept (High priority)**

**Specific Comments to Authors:** very good work

We thank the reviewer for the response and feedback.

***(1) Science editor:***

The manuscript mainly focus on "natural history and comparative efficacy of endoscopic and surgical therapies of Barrett's esophagus", the topic within the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology, the manuscript written very well, according to reviewers' comments, it can be accepted for published in the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology.

**Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)**

**Scientific Quality: Grade B (Very good)**

We thank the science editor for their valuable feedback.

***(2) Company editor-in-chief:***

I have reviewed the Peer-Review Report, full text of the manuscript, and the relevant ethics documents, all of which have met the basic publishing requirements of the World Journal of Gastrointestinal Oncology, and the manuscript is conditionally accepted. I have sent the manuscript to the author(s) for its revision according to the Peer-Review Report, Editorial Office's comments and the Criteria for Manuscript Revision by Authors. Please provide decomposable Figures (in which all components are movable and editable), organize them into a single PowerPoint file. Before final acceptance, authors are required to provide standard three-line tables, that is, only the top line, bottom line, and column line are displayed, while other table lines are hidden. The contents of each cell in the table should conform to the editing specifications, and the lines of each row or column of the table should be aligned. Do not use carriage returns or spaces to replace lines or vertical lines and do not segment cell content.

We thank the company editor-in-chief for extensively reviewing the entire manuscript as well as further comments. We have edited the tables as per specifications and also have organized figures into a single PowerPoint file.