Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for allowing us to revise our manuscript (Manuscript ID: 88699) entitled "Safety and efficacy of modified endoscopic ultrasound-guided selective N-butyl-2-cyanoacrylate injections for gastric variceal hemorrhage in left-sided portal hypertension". We greatly appreciate the editors' and reviewers' comments and suggestions. These comments and suggestions are valuable for improving our manuscript. All authors approve the revised manuscript for publication.

Response to the reviewer's comments was as follows:

Reviewer #1:

1. Response to comment: The report represents a fair description of experience in the field and is well described and easy to follow. The actual data seem to me to suggest no particular advantages or statistically significant differences due to the sample size and the fact that all interventions were successful by the measures reported. Shorter hospital stays are probably not such a great advantage when 50 minutes longer is required under anesthetic. The 1 mL less glue should be more clearly described in terms of how this should lead to fewer adhesions or glue ulcers.

Response: Thank you for your suggestion. We have recognized the limitations of our study, including the small sample size and the relatively longer operation time in the modified group, and have pointed them out in the limitations paragraph. Regarding fewer adhesions or glue ulcers, our explanation includes accurate detection, injection, and termination with the assistance of EUS, which can reduce the doses of glue, thus reducing adhesions or glue ulcers caused by inaccurate and excessive injection. In addition, we will further optimize our procedure and include more patients in future studies.

Response to the editorial comments was as follows:

Science editor

Response to comment: The manuscript has been peer-reviewed, and it is ready for the first decision.

Response: Thank you for your help.

Company editor-in-chief

Response to comment: 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 Endoscopy, 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. Before its final acceptance, please provide and upload the following important documents: Biostatistics Review Certificate, a statement affirming that the statistical review of the study was performed by a biomedical statistician; Institutional Review Board Approval

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Response: Thank you for your suggestion.

- 1. The original figure and table documents have been supplemented.
- 2. All requested documents have been submitted online.

Once again, we would like to express our great appreciation to the editors and reviewers for their comments and suggestions, and we hope the revised manuscript will meet with approval. We sincerely appreciate your consideration of our manuscript.

Best regards,

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