

Response to reviewers for manuscript *World Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery*-96917 entitled "A modified technical protocol of single-port laparoscopic appendectomy using a needle-type grasping forceps for an adult patient with acute simple appendicitis: A case report":

First of all, the authors would like to thank the reviewers and editors for the effort and positive comments in our manuscript.

Minimally invasive surgery is the main research directions in our center, though some novel technical protocols have been improved and demonstrated, as peer-reviewer stated, there is still a long way to go for the modification of single-port laparoscopic surgery, key equipment need to be further designed and improved, such as more robust and reliable needle-type grasping forceps, single-port laparoscopic puncture devices to suit 1-1.5cm incisions, and specialized disposable bag to avoid appendiceal curling. The relevant description has been added to the discussion section of the paper and highlighted in yellow color. Moreover, the manuscript has been revised according to the Checklist for Authors, based upon peer review reports, the Science Editor's and Company Editor-in-Chief's comments, and the publisher's required formatting for manuscripts.

Finally, we would like to thank all the experts again for their

recognition and help.