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Dear Professor Jigisha Patel:

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Thank you very much for your letter regarding our manuscript entitled “Effectiveness of CO₂-insufflated Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection with the duodenal balloon occlusion method for early esophageal or gastric cancer”. We are grateful for the feedback from the review. We have revised our manuscript accordingly.

Our response to the referee comments is provided on the following pages.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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**The comment of Executive Editor:**

Please include the full details of patient consent as part of the methods section of the manuscript, as you have outlined it in their covering letter.

**Responses to the comment of Executive Editor:**

As you pointed out, there are no detail description about the full details of patient consent. Then, we added the full details of patient consent as part of the methods section of our manuscript. The full details of patient consent are as follows: we informed all patients of this study’s aim and method. Full details of patients’ informed consents were followings: using the balloon for esophageal variceal injection sclerotherapy as duodenal occlusion balloon. An overtube was used to allow backflow of CO\textsubscript{2} gas from the stomach to the oral cavity for evacuation from the mouth, preventing the gas from flowing into the trachea and lungs. Under putting the balloon, we would perform ESD. We informed these procedures and side effects, and obtained consents from all patients in written forms.