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Dear Rachel Neilan,

Thank you very much for the opportunity to resubmit our manuscript to BMC Surgery. We are grateful for this opportunity. We revised the list of coauthors. NB has been removed from coauthorship as requested.

However, after critically reviewing the coauthor list, we feel that UN as well as MB fulfil the criteries for coauthorship. Both have made substantial contributions to the article, either in reviewing the article and creating figures and hereby supporting the idea behind the article (MB), as well as critically reviewing the article up to the final and submitted version (UN). We hereby kindly ask to leave the coauthors as submitted before with exception of NB.

Sincerely yours,

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