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To The Editor in Chief
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Dear Editor,

we are sending You our revised paper entitled The ACTIVE (Acute Cholecystitis Trial Invasive Versus Endoscopic) Study. Multicenter randomised, double-blind, controlled trial of laparoscopic (LC) versus open (LTC) surgery for acute cholecystitis (AC) in adults.

We performed the following changes:

Dear Dr Catena,

Title – We used sentence case in the title, both in the manuscript file and the submission system i.e. We ensured the manuscript title is identical in both the manuscript and submission system.

Author list - The list of authors in the manuscript was written exactly as they are in the submission system.

Affiliations - Each affiliation was written in full and provided in the following format: department, institute, city and country.

Author email addresses We gave a different email address for each author, on the title page, beneath the corresponding author details.

We used sentence case for all headings.

We removed the highlighting from the manuscript text.

We positioned the reference number before the full stop if placed at the end of the sentence.

We removed the text NO RESULTS, NO DISCUSSION, NO CONCLUSION (IT IS A PROTOCOL)

We entitled the author’s contributions section.

We positioned the Competing interests within the manuscript text above the author’s contributions.

We removed the additional files from the submission system.

We uploaded documents on ethical approval as additional files.

We added a section titled “Additional files”

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