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Dear Editors,

We would like to submit the enclosed manuscript entitled “Influence of Laparoscopic-Assisted Gastrectomy and Open Gastrectomy on Serum Interleukin-6 Levels in Patients with Gastric Cancer among Asian Populations”, which we wish to be considered for publication in “BMC Gastroenterology”. No conflict of interest exits in the submission of this manuscript, and manuscript is approved by all authors for publication. I would like to declare on behalf of my co-authors that the work described was original research that has not been published previously, and not under consideration for publication elsewhere, in whole or in part. All the authors listed have approved the manuscript that is enclosed.

Our present study included the following highlights: (1) A meta-analysis investigates the efficacy of LAG and OG for the treatment of GC; (2) The comparison of LAG and OG for GC patients was based on the change of IL-6 level; (3) Postoperative IL-6 level of GC patients was lower in LAG group than in OG group; (4) Postoperative increased IL-6 level was lower in LAG group than in OG group; (5) LAG inhibits inflammatory reaction for GC patients among Asian population. Therefore, I hope this paper is suitable for “BMC Gastroenterology”.

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We deeply appreciate your consideration of our manuscript, and we look forward to receiving comments from the reviewers.
Thank you and best regards.

Yours sincerely,

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