

#### **Instructions**

The purpose of this form is to provide readers of your manuscript with information about your other interests that could influence how they receive and understand your work. The form is designed to be completed electronically and stored electronically. It contains programming that allows appropriate data display. Each author should submit a separate form and is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the submitted information. The form is in six parts.

# Identifying information.

# The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes".

### 3. Relevant financial activities outside the submitted work.

This section asks about your financial relationships with entities in the bio-medical arena that could be perceived to influence, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work. You should disclose interactions with ANY entity that could be considered broadly relevant to the work. For example, if your article is about testing an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist in lung cancer, you should report all associations with entities pursuing diagnostic or therapeutic strategies in cancer in general, not just in the area of EGFR or lung cancer.

Report all sources of revenue paid (or promised to be paid) directly to you or your institution on your behalf over the 36 months prior to submission of the work. This should include all monies from sources with relevance to the submitted work, not just monies from the entity that sponsored the research. Please note that your interactions with the work's sponsor that are outside the submitted work should also be listed here. If there is any question, it is usually better to disclose a relationship than not to do so.

For grants you have received for work outside the submitted work, you should disclose support ONLY from entities that could be perceived to be affected financially by the published work, such as drug companies, or foundations supported by entities that could be perceived to have a financial stake in the outcome. Public funding sources, such as government agencies, charitable foundations or academic institutions, need not be disclosed. For example, if a government agency sponsored a study in which you have been involved and drugs were provided by a pharmaceutical company, you need only list the pharmaceutical company.

# 4. Intellectual Property.

This section asks about patents and copyrights, whether pending, issued, licensed and/or receiving royalties.

# Relationships not covered above.

Use this section to report other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work.

#### Definitions.

**Entity:** government agency, foundation, commercial sponsor, academic institution, etc.

**Grant:** A grant from an entity, generally [but not always] paid to your organization

**Personal Fees:** Monies paid to you for services rendered, generally honoraria, royalties, or fees for consulting, lectures, speakers bureaus, expert testimony, employment, or other affiliations

**Non-Financial Support:** Examples include drugs/equipment supplied by the entity, travel paid by the entity, writing assistance, administrative support, etc.

Other: Anything not covered under the previous three boxes

**Pending:** The patent has been filed but not issued

**Issued:** The patent has been issued by the agency

**Licensed:** The patent has been licensed to an entity, whether earning royalties or not

**Royalties:** Funds are coming in to you or your institution due to your patent

Wang 1



Section 1. Identifying Info	ormation	
1. Given Name (First Name) Wei	2. Surname (Last Name) Wang	3. Date 07-October-2016
4. Are you the corresponding author?	☐ Yes ✓ No	Corresponding Author's Name Jin Wan
5. Manuscript Title Laparoscopic spleen-preserving co	mplete splenic hilum lymphac	denectomy for advanced proximal gastric cancer
6. Manuscript Identifying Number (if yo	ou know it)	
Section 2. The Work Unde	r Consideration for Publi	cation
	ding but not limited to grants, da	a third party (government, commercial, private foundation, etc.) for ata monitoring board, study design, manuscript preparation,
Section 3. Relevant finance	ial activities outside the	submitted work.
of compensation) with entities as de	escribed in the instructions. Used report relationships that we	nether you have financial relationships (regardless of amount see one line for each entity; add as many lines as you need by the present during the 36 months prior to publication.
Section 4. Intellectual Pro	perty Patents & Copyri	ghts
Do you have any patents, whether p	planned, pending or issued, bu	roadly relevant to the work? Yes V No

Wang 2



Section 5.	
Section 5.	Relationships not covered above
	elationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of ncing, what you wrote in the submitted work?
Yes, the follow	wing relationships/conditions/circumstances are present (explain below):
✓ No other relat	tionships/conditions/circumstances that present a potential conflict of interest
	nuscript acceptance, journals will ask authors to confirm and, if necessary, update their disclosure statements nals may ask authors to disclose further information about reported relationships.
Section 6.	Disclosure Statement
Based on the abo below.	ve disclosures, this form will automatically generate a disclosure statement, which will appear in the box
Dr. Wang has not	thing to disclose.

## **Evaluation and Feedback**

Please visit <a href="http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback">http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback</a> to provide feedback on your experience with completing this form.

Wang 3



#### **Instructions**

The purpose of this form is to provide readers of your manuscript with information about your other interests that could influence how they receive and understand your work. The form is designed to be completed electronically and stored electronically. It contains programming that allows appropriate data display. Each author should submit a separate form and is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the submitted information. The form is in six parts.

# Identifying information.

# 2. The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes".

### Relevant financial activities outside the submitted work.

This section asks about your financial relationships with entities in the bio-medical arena that could be perceived to influence, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work. You should disclose interactions with ANY entity that could be considered broadly relevant to the work. For example, if your article is about testing an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist in lung cancer, you should report all associations with entities pursuing diagnostic or therapeutic strategies in cancer in general, not just in the area of EGFR or lung cancer.

Report all sources of revenue paid (or promised to be paid) directly to you or your institution on your behalf over the 36 months prior to submission of the work. This should include all monies from sources with relevance to the submitted work, not just monies from the entity that sponsored the research. Please note that your interactions with the work's sponsor that are outside the submitted work should also be listed here. If there is any question, it is usually better to disclose a relationship than not to do so.

For grants you have received for work outside the submitted work, you should disclose support ONLY from entities that could be perceived to be affected financially by the published work, such as drug companies, or foundations supported by entities that could be perceived to have a financial stake in the outcome. Public funding sources, such as government agencies, charitable foundations or academic institutions, need not be disclosed. For example, if a government agency sponsored a study in which you have been involved and drugs were provided by a pharmaceutical company, you need only list the pharmaceutical company.

# 4. Intellectual Property.

This section asks about patents and copyrights, whether pending, issued, licensed and/or receiving royalties.

# Relationships not covered above.

Use this section to report other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work.

#### Definitions.

**Entity:** government agency, foundation, commercial sponsor, academic institution, etc.

**Grant:** A grant from an entity, generally [but not always] paid to your organization

**Personal Fees:** Monies paid to you for services rendered, generally honoraria, royalties, or fees for consulting, lectures, speakers bureaus, expert testimony, employment, or other affiliations

**Non-Financial Support:** Examples include drugs/equipment supplied by the entity, travel paid by the entity, writing assistance, administrative support, etc.

Other: Anything not covered under the previous three boxes

**Pending:** The patent has been filed but not issued

**Issued:** The patent has been issued by the agency

**Licensed:** The patent has been licensed to an entity, whether earning royalties or not

**Royalties:** Funds are coming in to you or your institution due to your patent

Xiong 1



Section 1. Identifying Info	rmation	
1. Given Name (First Name) Wejun	2. Surname (Last Name) Xiong	3. Date 07-October-2016
4. Are you the corresponding author?	☐ Yes ✓ No	Corresponding Author's Name Jin Wan
5. Manuscript Title Laparoscopic spleen-preserving com	nplete splenic hilum lymphac	lenectomy for advanced proximal gastric cancer
6. Manuscript Identifying Number (if you	ı know it)	
Section 2. The Work Under	Consideration for Public	cation
	ling but not limited to grants, da	a third party (government, commercial, private foundation, etc.) for ata monitoring board, study design, manuscript preparation,
Section 3. Relevant financi	al activities outside the :	submitted work.
of compensation) with entities as de-	scribed in the instructions. Us report relationships that we	ether you have financial relationships (regardless of amount se one line for each entity; add as many lines as you need by re present during the 36 months prior to publication.
Section 4. Intellectual Prop	perty Patents & Copyri	ghts
Do you have any patents, whether pl	anned, pending or issued, br	roadly relevant to the work? Yes V No

Xiong 2



Section 5. Relationships not covered above
Relationships not covered above
Are there other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work?
Yes, the following relationships/conditions/circumstances are present (explain below):
✓ No other relationships/conditions/circumstances that present a potential conflict of interest
At the time of manuscript acceptance, journals will ask authors to confirm and, if necessary, update their disclosure statements On occasion, journals may ask authors to disclose further information about reported relationships.
Section 6. Disclosure Statement
Based on the above disclosures, this form will automatically generate a disclosure statement, which will appear in the box below.
Dr. Xiong has nothing to disclose.

## **Evaluation and Feedback**

Please visit <a href="http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback">http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback</a> to provide feedback on your experience with completing this form.

Xiong 3



#### **Instructions**

The purpose of this form is to provide readers of your manuscript with information about your other interests that could influence how they receive and understand your work. The form is designed to be completed electronically and stored electronically. It contains programming that allows appropriate data display. Each author should submit a separate form and is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the submitted information. The form is in six parts.

# Identifying information.

# The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes".

### Relevant financial activities outside the submitted work.

This section asks about your financial relationships with entities in the bio-medical arena that could be perceived to influence, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work. You should disclose interactions with ANY entity that could be considered broadly relevant to the work. For example, if your article is about testing an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist in lung cancer, you should report all associations with entities pursuing diagnostic or therapeutic strategies in cancer in general, not just in the area of EGFR or lung cancer.

Report all sources of revenue paid (or promised to be paid) directly to you or your institution on your behalf over the 36 months prior to submission of the work. This should include all monies from sources with relevance to the submitted work, not just monies from the entity that sponsored the research. Please note that your interactions with the work's sponsor that are outside the submitted work should also be listed here. If there is any question, it is usually better to disclose a relationship than not to do so.

For grants you have received for work outside the submitted work, you should disclose support ONLY from entities that could be perceived to be affected financially by the published work, such as drug companies, or foundations supported by entities that could be perceived to have a financial stake in the outcome. Public funding sources, such as government agencies, charitable foundations or academic institutions, need not be disclosed. For example, if a government agency sponsored a study in which you have been involved and drugs were provided by a pharmaceutical company, you need only list the pharmaceutical company.

# 4. Intellectual Property.

This section asks about patents and copyrights, whether pending, issued, licensed and/or receiving royalties.

# Relationships not covered above.

Use this section to report other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work.

#### Definitions.

**Entity:** government agency, foundation, commercial sponsor, academic institution, etc.

**Grant:** A grant from an entity, generally [but not always] paid to your organization

**Personal Fees:** Monies paid to you for services rendered, generally honoraria, royalties, or fees for consulting, lectures, speakers bureaus, expert testimony, employment, or other affiliations

**Non-Financial Support:** Examples include drugs/equipment supplied by the entity, travel paid by the entity, writing assistance, administrative support, etc.

Other: Anything not covered under the previous three boxes

**Pending:** The patent has been filed but not issued

**Issued:** The patent has been issued by the agency

**Licensed:** The patent has been licensed to an entity, whether earning royalties or not

**Royalties:** Funds are coming in to you or your institution due to your

Peng 1



Section 1.	Identifying Inform	nation	
1. Given Name (Fi	rst Name)	2. Surname (Last Name) Peng	3. Date 07-October-2016
4. Are you the cor	responding author?	☐ Yes ✓ No	Corresponding Author's Name Jin Wan
5. Manuscript Title Laparoscopic sp		ete splenic hilum lymphad	lenectomy for advanced proximal gastric cancer
6. Manuscript Ider	ntifying Number (if you kr	now it)	
Section 2.	The Work Under C	onsideration for Public	cation
any aspect of the s statistical analysis,	ubmitted work (including	g but not limited to grants, da	a third party (government, commercial, private foundation, etc.) for ta monitoring board, study design, manuscript preparation,
Section 3.	Relevant financial	activities outside the s	submitted work.
of compensation clicking the "Add	n) with entities as descri	ibed in the instructions. Us port relationships that wer	ether you have financial relationships (regardless of amount se one line for each entity; add as many lines as you need by re present during the 36 months prior to publication.
	ı		
Section 4.	Intellectual Prope	rty Patents & Copyric	yhts
Do you have any	patents, whether plan	ned, pending or issued, br	oadly relevant to the work? Yes V No

Peng 2



Section 5.	
Section 5.	Relationships not covered above
	elationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of encing, what you wrote in the submitted work?
Yes, the follo	wing relationships/conditions/circumstances are present (explain below):
✓ No other rela	tionships/conditions/circumstances that present a potential conflict of interest
	anuscript acceptance, journals will ask authors to confirm and, if necessary, update their disclosure statements rnals may ask authors to disclose further information about reported relationships.
Section 6.	Disclosure Statement
Based on the abo	ove disclosures, this form will automatically generate a disclosure statement, which will appear in the box
Dr. Peng has no	ching to disclose.

## **Evaluation and Feedback**

Please visit <a href="http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback">http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback</a> to provide feedback on your experience with completing this form.

Peng 3



#### **Instructions**

The purpose of this form is to provide readers of your manuscript with information about your other interests that could influence how they receive and understand your work. The form is designed to be completed electronically and stored electronically. It contains programming that allows appropriate data display. Each author should submit a separate form and is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the submitted information. The form is in six parts.

# Identifying information.

# The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes".

### 3. Relevant financial activities outside the submitted work.

This section asks about your financial relationships with entities in the bio-medical arena that could be perceived to influence, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work. You should disclose interactions with ANY entity that could be considered broadly relevant to the work. For example, if your article is about testing an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist in lung cancer, you should report all associations with entities pursuing diagnostic or therapeutic strategies in cancer in general, not just in the area of EGFR or lung cancer.

Report all sources of revenue paid (or promised to be paid) directly to you or your institution on your behalf over the 36 months prior to submission of the work. This should include all monies from sources with relevance to the submitted work, not just monies from the entity that sponsored the research. Please note that your interactions with the work's sponsor that are outside the submitted work should also be listed here. If there is any question, it is usually better to disclose a relationship than not to do so.

For grants you have received for work outside the submitted work, you should disclose support ONLY from entities that could be perceived to be affected financially by the published work, such as drug companies, or foundations supported by entities that could be perceived to have a financial stake in the outcome. Public funding sources, such as government agencies, charitable foundations or academic institutions, need not be disclosed. For example, if a government agency sponsored a study in which you have been involved and drugs were provided by a pharmaceutical company, you need only list the pharmaceutical company.

# 4. Intellectual Property.

This section asks about patents and copyrights, whether pending, issued, licensed and/or receiving royalties.

# Relationships not covered above.

Use this section to report other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work.

#### Definitions.

**Entity:** government agency, foundation, commercial sponsor, academic institution, etc.

**Grant:** A grant from an entity, generally [but not always] paid to your organization

**Personal Fees:** Monies paid to you for services rendered, generally honoraria, royalties, or fees for consulting, lectures, speakers bureaus, expert testimony, employment, or other affiliations

**Non-Financial Support:** Examples include drugs/equipment supplied by the entity, travel paid by the entity, writing assistance, administrative support, etc.

Other: Anything not covered under the previous three boxes

**Pending:** The patent has been filed but not issued

**Issued:** The patent has been issued by the agency

**Licensed:** The patent has been licensed to an entity, whether earning royalties or not

**Royalties:** Funds are coming in to you or your institution due to your patent

1

Ye



Section 1.	Identifying Inform	nation		
1. Given Name (Firs Shanao	it Name)	2. Surname (Last Name Ye	)	3. Date 07-October-2016
4. Are you the corre	esponding author?	☐ Yes ✓ No	Corresponding Author's Nan Jin Wan	me
5. Manuscript Title Laparoscopic sple	een-preserving comple	ete splenic hilum lymph	nadenectomy for advanced pro	oximal gastric cancer
6. Manuscript Ident	tifying Number (if you kn	now it)		
Section 2.	The Work Under Co	onsideration for Pul	olication	
any aspect of the su statistical analysis, e	bmitted work (including	but not limited to grants	, data monitoring board, study des	mmercial, private foundation, etc.) for sign, manuscript preparation,
Section 3.	Relevant financial	activities outside th	e submitted work.	
of compensation) clicking the "Add	with entities as descri	bed in the instructions. port relationships that w	. Use one line for each entity; ac were <b>present during the 36 m</b>	ationships (regardless of amount dd as many lines as you need by conths prior to publication.
Section 4.	Intellectual Proper	rty Patents & Copy	rights	
Do you have any բ	patents, whether plan	ned, pending or issued,	broadly relevant to the work?	Yes 🗸 No

Ye 2



Section 5.	
Section 5.	Relationships not covered above
	elationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of ncing, what you wrote in the submitted work?
Yes, the follow	wing relationships/conditions/circumstances are present (explain below):
✓ No other relat	tionships/conditions/circumstances that present a potential conflict of interest
	nuscript acceptance, journals will ask authors to confirm and, if necessary, update their disclosure statements rnals may ask authors to disclose further information about reported relationships.
Section 6.	Disclosure Statement
Based on the abo below.	ove disclosures, this form will automatically generate a disclosure statement, which will appear in the box
Dr. Ye has nothin	ng to disclose.

## **Evaluation and Feedback**

Please visit <a href="http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback">http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback</a> to provide feedback on your experience with completing this form.

Ye 3



#### **Instructions**

The purpose of this form is to provide readers of your manuscript with information about your other interests that could influence how they receive and understand your work. The form is designed to be completed electronically and stored electronically. It contains programming that allows appropriate data display. Each author should submit a separate form and is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the submitted information. The form is in six parts.

# Identifying information.

# The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes".

### Relevant financial activities outside the submitted work.

This section asks about your financial relationships with entities in the bio-medical arena that could be perceived to influence, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work. You should disclose interactions with ANY entity that could be considered broadly relevant to the work. For example, if your article is about testing an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist in lung cancer, you should report all associations with entities pursuing diagnostic or therapeutic strategies in cancer in general, not just in the area of EGFR or lung cancer.

Report all sources of revenue paid (or promised to be paid) directly to you or your institution on your behalf over the 36 months prior to submission of the work. This should include all monies from sources with relevance to the submitted work, not just monies from the entity that sponsored the research. Please note that your interactions with the work's sponsor that are outside the submitted work should also be listed here. If there is any question, it is usually better to disclose a relationship than not to do so.

For grants you have received for work outside the submitted work, you should disclose support ONLY from entities that could be perceived to be affected financially by the published work, such as drug companies, or foundations supported by entities that could be perceived to have a financial stake in the outcome. Public funding sources, such as government agencies, charitable foundations or academic institutions, need not be disclosed. For example, if a government agency sponsored a study in which you have been involved and drugs were provided by a pharmaceutical company, you need only list the pharmaceutical company.

# 4. Intellectual Property.

This section asks about patents and copyrights, whether pending, issued, licensed and/or receiving royalties.

# Relationships not covered above.

Use this section to report other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work.

#### Definitions.

**Entity:** government agency, foundation, commercial sponsor, academic institution, etc.

**Grant:** A grant from an entity, generally [but not always] paid to your organization

**Personal Fees:** Monies paid to you for services rendered, generally honoraria, royalties, or fees for consulting, lectures, speakers bureaus, expert testimony, employment, or other affiliations

**Non-Financial Support:** Examples include drugs/equipment supplied by the entity, travel paid by the entity, writing assistance, administrative support, etc.

Other: Anything not covered under the previous three boxes

**Pending:** The patent has been filed but not issued

**Issued:** The patent has been issued by the agency

**Licensed:** The patent has been licensed to an entity, whether earning royalties or not

Royalties: Funds are coming in to you or your institution due to your

Zheng 1



Section 1.	Identifying Inform	nation		
1. Given Name (Fi	rst Name)	2. Surname (Last Name) Zheng		3. Date 07-October-2016
4. Are you the cor	responding author?	Yes ✓ No	Corresponding Author's Nam	ne
5. Manuscript Title Laparoscopic spl		ete splenic hilum lymphad	enectomy for advanced pro	ximal gastric cancer
6. Manuscript Ider	ntifying Number (if you kr	now it)		
			_	
Section 2.	The Work Under Co	onsideration for Public	ation	
any aspect of the s statistical analysis,	ubmitted work (including	but not limited to grants, da	a third party (government, com ta monitoring board, study desi	nmercial, private foundation, etc.) for ign, manuscript preparation,
Section 3.	Relevant financial	activities outside the s	ubmitted work.	
of compensation clicking the "Add	) with entities as descri	ibed in the instructions. Us port relationships that wer		tionships (regardless of amount dd as many lines as you need by onths prior to publication.
Section 4.	Intellectual Proper	rty Patents & Copyrig	ıhts	
Do you have any	patents, whether plan	ned, pending or issued, br	oadly relevant to the work?	☐ Yes ✓ No

Zheng 2



Section 5. Relationships not sovered above
Relationships not covered above
Are there other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work?
Yes, the following relationships/conditions/circumstances are present (explain below):
✓ No other relationships/conditions/circumstances that present a potential conflict of interest
At the time of manuscript acceptance, journals will ask authors to confirm and, if necessary, update their disclosure statements On occasion, journals may ask authors to disclose further information about reported relationships.
Section 6. Disclosure Statement
Disclosure Statement
Based on the above disclosures, this form will automatically generate a disclosure statement, which will appear in the box below.
Dr. Zheng has nothing to disclose.

## **Evaluation and Feedback**

Please visit <a href="http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback">http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback</a> to provide feedback on your experience with completing this form.

Zheng 3



#### **Instructions**

The purpose of this form is to provide readers of your manuscript with information about your other interests that could influence how they receive and understand your work. The form is designed to be completed electronically and stored electronically. It contains programming that allows appropriate data display. Each author should submit a separate form and is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the submitted information. The form is in six parts.

# Identifying information.

# The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes".

### Relevant financial activities outside the submitted work.

This section asks about your financial relationships with entities in the bio-medical arena that could be perceived to influence, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work. You should disclose interactions with ANY entity that could be considered broadly relevant to the work. For example, if your article is about testing an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist in lung cancer, you should report all associations with entities pursuing diagnostic or therapeutic strategies in cancer in general, not just in the area of EGFR or lung cancer.

Report all sources of revenue paid (or promised to be paid) directly to you or your institution on your behalf over the 36 months prior to submission of the work. This should include all monies from sources with relevance to the submitted work, not just monies from the entity that sponsored the research. Please note that your interactions with the work's sponsor that are outside the submitted work should also be listed here. If there is any question, it is usually better to disclose a relationship than not to do so.

For grants you have received for work outside the submitted work, you should disclose support ONLY from entities that could be perceived to be affected financially by the published work, such as drug companies, or foundations supported by entities that could be perceived to have a financial stake in the outcome. Public funding sources, such as government agencies, charitable foundations or academic institutions, need not be disclosed. For example, if a government agency sponsored a study in which you have been involved and drugs were provided by a pharmaceutical company, you need only list the pharmaceutical company.

# 4. Intellectual Property.

This section asks about patents and copyrights, whether pending, issued, licensed and/or receiving royalties.

# Relationships not covered above.

Use this section to report other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work.

#### Definitions.

**Entity:** government agency, foundation, commercial sponsor, academic institution, etc.

**Grant:** A grant from an entity, generally [but not always] paid to your organization

**Personal Fees:** Monies paid to you for services rendered, generally honoraria, royalties, or fees for consulting, lectures, speakers bureaus, expert testimony, employment, or other affiliations

**Non-Financial Support:** Examples include drugs/equipment supplied by the entity, travel paid by the entity, writing assistance, administrative support, etc.

Other: Anything not covered under the previous three boxes

**Pending:** The patent has been filed but not issued

**Issued:** The patent has been issued by the agency

**Licensed:** The patent has been licensed to an entity, whether earning royalties or not

**Royalties:** Funds are coming in to you or your institution due to your

Luo 1



Section 1. Identifying	Information	
1. Given Name (First Name) Lijie	2. Surname (Last Name) Luo	3. Date 07-October-2016
4. Are you the corresponding auth	oor? Yes 🗸 No	Corresponding Author's Name Jin Wan
5. Manuscript Title Laparoscopic spleen-preserving	g complete splenic hilum lymphad	enectomy for advanced proximal gastric cancer
6. Manuscript Identifying Number	(if you know it)	
		_
Section 2. The Work U	nder Consideration for Public	cation
	including but not limited to grants, da	a third party (government, commercial, private foundation, etc.) for ta monitoring board, study design, manuscript preparation,
Section 3. Relevant fir	nancial activities outside the s	submitted work.
of compensation) with entities	as described in the instructions. Us nould report relationships that wer	ether you have financial relationships (regardless of amount se one line for each entity; add as many lines as you need by e present during the 36 months prior to publication.
Section 4. Intellectual	Property Patents & Copyrig	yhts
Do you have any patents, whet	her planned, pending or issued, br	oadly relevant to the work? Yes V No

Luo 2



Section 5.	
Section 5.	Relationships not covered above
	elationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of encing, what you wrote in the submitted work?
Yes, the follo	wing relationships/conditions/circumstances are present (explain below):
✓ No other rela	tionships/conditions/circumstances that present a potential conflict of interest
	anuscript acceptance, journals will ask authors to confirm and, if necessary, update their disclosure statements rnals may ask authors to disclose further information about reported relationships.
Section 6.	Disclosure Statement
Based on the abo	ove disclosures, this form will automatically generate a disclosure statement, which will appear in the box
Dr. Luo has noth	ning to disclose.

## **Evaluation and Feedback**

Please visit <a href="http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback">http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback</a> to provide feedback on your experience with completing this form.

Luo 3



#### **Instructions**

The purpose of this form is to provide readers of your manuscript with information about your other interests that could influence how they receive and understand your work. The form is designed to be completed electronically and stored electronically. It contains programming that allows appropriate data display. Each author should submit a separate form and is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the submitted information. The form is in six parts.

# Identifying information.

# The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes".

### 3. Relevant financial activities outside the submitted work.

This section asks about your financial relationships with entities in the bio-medical arena that could be perceived to influence, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work. You should disclose interactions with ANY entity that could be considered broadly relevant to the work. For example, if your article is about testing an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist in lung cancer, you should report all associations with entities pursuing diagnostic or therapeutic strategies in cancer in general, not just in the area of EGFR or lung cancer.

Report all sources of revenue paid (or promised to be paid) directly to you or your institution on your behalf over the 36 months prior to submission of the work. This should include all monies from sources with relevance to the submitted work, not just monies from the entity that sponsored the research. Please note that your interactions with the work's sponsor that are outside the submitted work should also be listed here. If there is any question, it is usually better to disclose a relationship than not to do so.

For grants you have received for work outside the submitted work, you should disclose support ONLY from entities that could be perceived to be affected financially by the published work, such as drug companies, or foundations supported by entities that could be perceived to have a financial stake in the outcome. Public funding sources, such as government agencies, charitable foundations or academic institutions, need not be disclosed. For example, if a government agency sponsored a study in which you have been involved and drugs were provided by a pharmaceutical company, you need only list the pharmaceutical company.

# 4. Intellectual Property.

This section asks about patents and copyrights, whether pending, issued, licensed and/or receiving royalties.

# Relationships not covered above.

Use this section to report other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work.

#### Definitions.

**Entity:** government agency, foundation, commercial sponsor, academic institution, etc.

**Grant:** A grant from an entity, generally [but not always] paid to your organization

**Personal Fees:** Monies paid to you for services rendered, generally honoraria, royalties, or fees for consulting, lectures, speakers bureaus, expert testimony, employment, or other affiliations

**Non-Financial Support:** Examples include drugs/equipment supplied by the entity, travel paid by the entity, writing assistance, administrative support, etc.

Other: Anything not covered under the previous three boxes

**Pending:** The patent has been filed but not issued

**Issued:** The patent has been issued by the agency

**Licensed:** The patent has been licensed to an entity, whether earning royalties or not

**Royalties:** Funds are coming in to you or your institution due to your

Tan 1



Section 1. Identifying Infor	mation			
1. Given Name (First Name) Ping	2. Surname (Last Name) Tan	3. Date 07-October-2016		
4. Are you the corresponding author?	☐ Yes ✓ No	Corresponding Author's Name Jin Wan		
5. Manuscript Title Laparoscopic spleen-preserving com	olete splenic hilum lymphad	lenectomy for advanced proximal gastric cancer		
6. Manuscript Identifying Number (if you	know it)			
Section 2. The Work Under	Consideration for Public	cation		
Did you or your institution <b>at any time</b> receive payment or services from a third party (government, commercial, private foundation, etc.) for any aspect of the submitted work (including but not limited to grants, data monitoring board, study design, manuscript preparation, statistical analysis, etc.)?  Are there any relevant conflicts of interest?  Yes  No				
·				
Section 3. Relevant financia	al activities outside the s	submitted work.		
Place a check in the appropriate boxes in the table to indicate whether you have financial relationships (regardless of amount of compensation) with entities as described in the instructions. Use one line for each entity; add as many lines as you need by clicking the "Add +" box. You should report relationships that were <b>present during the 36 months prior to publication</b> .  Are there any relevant conflicts of interest? Yes V No				
·				
Section 4. Intellectual Prop	erty Patents & Copyric	ghts		
Do you have any patents, whether pla	nned, pending or issued, br	oadly relevant to the work? Yes V No		

Tan 2



Section 5. Polationships not severed above
Relationships not covered above
Are there other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work?
Yes, the following relationships/conditions/circumstances are present (explain below):
✓ No other relationships/conditions/circumstances that present a potential conflict of interest
At the time of manuscript acceptance, journals will ask authors to confirm and, if necessary, update their disclosure statements On occasion, journals may ask authors to disclose further information about reported relationships.
Section 6. Disclosure Statement
Based on the above disclosures, this form will automatically generate a disclosure statement, which will appear in the box below.
Dr. Tan has nothing to disclose.

## **Evaluation and Feedback**

Please visit <a href="http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback">http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback</a> to provide feedback on your experience with completing this form.

Tan 3



#### **Instructions**

The purpose of this form is to provide readers of your manuscript with information about your other interests that could influence how they receive and understand your work. The form is designed to be completed electronically and stored electronically. It contains programming that allows appropriate data display. Each author should submit a separate form and is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the submitted information. The form is in six parts.

# Identifying information.

# 2. The work under consideration for publication.

This section asks for information about the work that you have submitted for publication. The time frame for this reporting is that of the work itself, from the initial conception and planning to the present. The requested information is about resources that you received, either directly or indirectly (via your institution), to enable you to complete the work. Checking "No" means that you did the work without receiving any financial support from any third party -- that is, the work was supported by funds from the same institution that pays your salary and that institution did not receive third-party funds with which to pay you. If you or your institution received funds from a third party to support the work, such as a government granting agency, charitable foundation or commercial sponsor, check "Yes".

### 3. Relevant financial activities outside the submitted work.

This section asks about your financial relationships with entities in the bio-medical arena that could be perceived to influence, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work. You should disclose interactions with ANY entity that could be considered broadly relevant to the work. For example, if your article is about testing an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) antagonist in lung cancer, you should report all associations with entities pursuing diagnostic or therapeutic strategies in cancer in general, not just in the area of EGFR or lung cancer.

Report all sources of revenue paid (or promised to be paid) directly to you or your institution on your behalf over the 36 months prior to submission of the work. This should include all monies from sources with relevance to the submitted work, not just monies from the entity that sponsored the research. Please note that your interactions with the work's sponsor that are outside the submitted work should also be listed here. If there is any question, it is usually better to disclose a relationship than not to do so.

For grants you have received for work outside the submitted work, you should disclose support ONLY from entities that could be perceived to be affected financially by the published work, such as drug companies, or foundations supported by entities that could be perceived to have a financial stake in the outcome. Public funding sources, such as government agencies, charitable foundations or academic institutions, need not be disclosed. For example, if a government agency sponsored a study in which you have been involved and drugs were provided by a pharmaceutical company, you need only list the pharmaceutical company.

# 4. Intellectual Property.

This section asks about patents and copyrights, whether pending, issued, licensed and/or receiving royalties.

# Relationships not covered above.

Use this section to report other relationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of potentially influencing, what you wrote in the submitted work.

#### Definitions.

**Entity:** government agency, foundation, commercial sponsor, academic institution, etc.

**Grant:** A grant from an entity, generally [but not always] paid to your organization

**Personal Fees:** Monies paid to you for services rendered, generally honoraria, royalties, or fees for consulting, lectures, speakers bureaus, expert testimony, employment, or other affiliations

**Non-Financial Support:** Examples include drugs/equipment supplied by the entity, travel paid by the entity, writing assistance, administrative support, etc.

Other: Anything not covered under the previous three boxes

**Pending:** The patent has been filed but not issued

**Issued:** The patent has been issued by the agency

**Licensed:** The patent has been licensed to an entity, whether earning royalties or not

**Royalties:** Funds are coming in to you or your institution due to your patent

Wan 1



Section 1. Identifying Inform	nation			
1. Given Name (First Name) Jin	2. Surname (Last Name) Wan	3. Date 07-October-2016		
4. Are you the corresponding author?	✓ Yes No			
5. Manuscript Title Laparoscopic spleen-preserving compl	lete splenic hilum lymphadenectomy for advanced p	roximal gastric cancer		
6. Manuscript Identifying Number (if you know it)				
Section 2. The Work Under C	'anaidanation for Dublication			
Did you or your institution <b>at any time</b> receive payment or services from a third party (government, commercial, private foundation, etc.) for any aspect of the submitted work (including but not limited to grants, data monitoring board, study design, manuscript preparation, statistical analysis, etc.)?  Are there any relevant conflicts of interest?  Yes  No				
Section 3. Relevant financial	activities outside the submitted work.			
Place a check in the appropriate boxes in the table to indicate whether you have financial relationships (regardless of amount of compensation) with entities as described in the instructions. Use one line for each entity; add as many lines as you need by clicking the "Add +" box. You should report relationships that were <b>present during the 36 months prior to publication</b> .  Are there any relevant conflicts of interest? Yes Vo				
Section 4. Intellectual Prope	rty Patents & Copyrights			
	nned, pending or issued, broadly relevant to the work	</th		

Wan 2



Section 5.		
	Relationships not covered above	
	elationships or activities that readers could perceive to have influenced, or that give the appearance of encing, what you wrote in the submitted work?	
Yes, the following relationships/conditions/circumstances are present (explain below):		
✓ No other relationships/conditions/circumstances that present a potential conflict of interest		
	anuscript acceptance, journals will ask authors to confirm and, if necessary, update their disclosure statements rnals may ask authors to disclose further information about reported relationships.	
Section 6.	Disclosure Statement	
Based on the abo	ove disclosures, this form will automatically generate a disclosure statement, which will appear in the box	
Dr. Wan has notl	hing to disclose.	

## **Evaluation and Feedback**

Please visit <a href="http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback">http://www.icmje.org/cgi-bin/feedback</a> to provide feedback on your experience with completing this form.

Wan 3