



**PEER-REVIEW REPORT**

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is a well-written study on the use of ICG to mark colorectal cancer. However it was already known in current literature that tattooing is useful in minimally invasive surgery. A comparative study with a control group of no-tattooing tumors could be useless.



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Otherwise an observational study on safety and efficacy of ICG could be useful.

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Dear Editor, Thank you for the opportunity to review the interesting manuscript entitled ‘Usefulness of colonic tattooing using indocyanine green in patient with colorectal tumors’. The authors compared the perioperative outcomes in 114 patients



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with colorectal laparoscopic resections and indocyanine green marking of the lesions with 228 propensity-scored patients with no tumor marking. The paper is interesting and has merits to be accepted after minor revision. Minor concerns: Please check the spelling throughout the manuscript. In Abstract - Aim: I suggest that 'beneficial' to be replaced with 'feasible'. In Abstract - results: delta should be explained. The difference for Hb and Alb is not 'little' in my opinion. How can be explained the difference in Albumin? If not, please remove from abstract, and discuss it in Discussions. In Core tip: That ICG has fewer complications than India ink is not a conclusion from the present study. Please remove. Division of Gastroenterology of the Internal Medicine Department, isn't it? In Methods: The two groups (stage 0, I, IIa, IIb, IIc) should be named as N0. In my opinion is not very correct as early stage versus advanced stage, as a T4N0M0 may be significant difficult to be resected laparoscopically.

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