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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I have read the manuscript entitled “Operative versus non-operative management of complicated acute appendicitis in children: Still an existing controversy”. This is a review article which give us the current data of operative versus non operative management of complicated acute appendicitis (CAA) in children in details. In generally, this paper would contribute to the literature and be beneficial for pediatric surgeons. However, there are many typographical errors and English should be polished, so some sentences are not well understood. Order of the citations throughout the text should be re-arranged. Because some references are not correspond with cited authors. In addition, some listed references are not used for citation in the text. Although they have stated that 46 article retrieved from literature, they gave 47 article in the following. Abbreviations could be better used. The title of the study in Reference 27 should be provided. Written of the references could be uniform. Also, Table 1 is unnecessary, which seems a duplicate of the reference list.

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This review about management of complicated acute appendicitis in children is generally comprehensive, although the controversy exists. Comments 1. In the introduction section, the authors stated the life-time risk of appendectomy is 23.1% in girls and 12% in boys and a life-time risk of developing acute appendicitis is 7% in girls and 9% in boys. These data had several meanings. It suggests that many children had incidental appendectomy for other surgical disease other than for acute appendicitis. The former is not the focus in this review and may confuse readers. The data also have confusion of concept of "life-time" in children. Do you mean in his or her life-time till 18 years of age, or throughout the life till death?

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