

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
Re-review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

the authors present a case of appendectomy-related cecocutaneous fistula that was diagnosed by by CT fistulography and was managed by laparoscopic right hemicolectomy. 1.the pt. was admitted initially with the impression of cellulitis but you didn't monition any related symptoms like hotness, redness, tenderness, etc. 2. you claimed that the cecocutaneous fistula was related to the appendectomy that performed a=more than 15 years ago. it is so unbelievable. 3. during the initiall lab examination, the data was in favor of systemic inflammation, WBC> 20,000 and CRP>19; did the pt have any systemic inflammation-related symptom like fever? 4. you didn't mention the final lab examination, did the WBC and CRP level decrease to the normal range? 5. please add more reference and discuss if there is any other report of appendectomy-related cecocutaneous fistula. 6. the literature review was so insufficient and the discussion was poor written. more over the last 3 paragraph didn't have any references.

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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

I am interested to know the cause of fistula. Any pre-operative colonoscopy done, if yes kindly mention the findings.

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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The case herein reported is not novel nor of particular interest. CT fistulography well established and indications are clear. I will not comment on the treatment because is out of the scope of this review, but I might suggest the authors to review and report international guidelines for the treatment of such cases. I appreciate the effort of the authors in reporting an unusual case in their department but I am afraid but I don't find the present report interesting enough to recommend it for publication.

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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The case report is interesting and worth publishing. Some issues are of concern, here including a thorough grammatical revision for errors and awkward expressions. 1. fistulography (correct) 2. Magnetic resonance enterorrhaphy, which is a variant of MRI (is this an error? enterorrhaphy has nothing to do with MRI) 3. After surgery, we administered antibiotics and changed the wound dressing daily (be more precise: dosage; type of antibiotics... any antibiogram data?) 4. FINAL DIAGNOSIS Cecocutaneous fistula - too short to be a section per se; incorporate this in the previous section



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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is a well--prepared manuscript on a case of enterocutaneous fistula with insufficient evidence of fistula. This patient obtained satisfied clinical outcome from laparoscopic right hemicolectomy with re-anastomosis immediately after diagnosed by CT fistulography underwent. The authors highlighted the importance of CT fistulography for accurate diagnosis of ECF patients presenting without gastrointestinal symptoms. In general, this paper is clear and is suitable for publication in this journal.

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Title. Does the title reflect the main subject/hypothesis of the manuscript? NO 2  
Abstract. Does the abstract summarize and reflect the work described in the manuscript?  
Somewhat, but not clearly 3 Key words. Do the key words reflect the focus of the  
manuscript? YES 4 Background. Does the manuscript adequately describe the  
background, present status and significance of the study? Somewhat 5 Methods. Does  
the manuscript describe methods (e.g., experiments, data analysis, surveys, and clinical  
trials, etc.) in adequate detail? Not applicable 6 Results. Are the research objectives  
achieved by the experiments used in this study? What are the contributions that the  
study has made for research progress in this field? Not applicable 7 Discussion. Does  
the manuscript interpret the findings adequately and appropriately, highlighting the key  
points concisely, clearly and logically? Are the findings and their applicability/relevance  
to the literature stated in a clear and definite manner? Is the discussion accurate and  
does it discuss the paper's scientific significance and/or relevance to clinical practice  
sufficiently? Somewhat 8 Illustrations and tables. Are the figures, diagrams and tables  
sufficient, good quality and appropriately illustrative of the paper contents? Do figures  
require labeling with arrows, asterisks etc., better legends? NO 9 Biostatistics. Does the  
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Dear Authors, Thank you for modifying the manuscript at the relevant places. I have accepted most, barring a few. I think the suggestion will help you better. Best wishes.