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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This paper is a meta-analysis of 6 reports comparing the outcomes of robot-assisted laparoscopic gastrectomy for early gastric cancer with open gastrectomy, with favourable results for the former group. The information is important and needs to be made known. It is well written needing just a few spelling corrections. The Discussion contains some repetition and could be shortened. The results are clearly presented in the Tables. Figures 2,3 and 4 are very detailed and might be considered more suitable for a statistical journal. The information in these Figures is already included in the text and they possibly could be omitted.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This study has very good methodology in terms of selecting, checking and analyzing studies about RAG vs OG. Authors discuss also a weak point which is only one randomized study and heterogeneity of patients populations. Some minor language corrections are needed



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This meta analysis compared the short-term outcomes of gastric cancer patients between robotic assisted gastrectomy (RAG) and open gastrectomy. The results demonstrated RAG was safe and feasible. But the language of manuscript need to be polished.