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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Authors established the APS model and it is helpful to assess the incontinence. However, some details need to be clarified. 1. APS consisted of five variables. How to define the criteria of sphincter defect by EUS? Authors should describe the details on criteria and give a EUS image to illustrate it. 2. All APS variables were significantly different between men and women, except for internal sphincter defect. In discussion section, authors also mentioned that the gender difference in CCCS was highly significant in this study, but the data cannot be found in table? And how about the multiple regression results of APS or CCCS between men and women?