

Comments from reviewers	Reply from author
<p>The literature search is vaguely described. The search words listed result in several thousand hits in Pubmed.</p>	<p>The published literature related to POUR have been included and all study designs including systematic reviews and editorials were studied. During the search, any published literature not related to POUR were excluded.</p>
<p>A more thorough description of the function of the bladder in relation to the drugs administrated during surgery would be of great value.</p>	<p>Added in the manuscript (page no.5, para 1 and 2)</p>
<p>Are there any uniform criteria for defining urinary retention?</p>	<p>This review is being reported to emphasize importance of other studies as they are not conclusive of definite recommendations</p>
<p>If ultrasound is crucial for diagnosing urinary retention, what is the threshold for retention? Which volume should be accepted before bladder catheterization is considered? Have any attempts been made to develop standardized instruments for rating patient perception of urinary retention?</p>	<p>Considering the wide variability in literature regarding the diagnostic criteria for POUR, this review will be thought provoking so that further large studies may be done for definite conclusion for thresholds and ultrasound based assessment of volume at which catheterization should be done. We have incorporated your suggestion as a lacuna to initiate further studies.</p>