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PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors conducted a multicentre retrospective cohort study and performed a systematic review and meta-analysis of the literature. The results showed that there was no difference in the risk of adenomas, non-advanced adenomas, advanced adenomas,



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cancer, and polyps between the diverticulitis and screening groups. The experimental design is good and the results are relatively reliable. But there are some questions which need to answer or explain. 1. There is only 68 patients in diverticulitis group. The word in “should not be” don't seem to be accurate in the PART of “Conclusions: Colonoscopy should not be performed routinely in patients with acute diverticulitis”. I suggest the authors change theses word to “may not be”. 2. What is the basis for defining “Advanced adenomas”, “High-risk adenomas” and “Small adenomas”?

INITIAL REVIEW OF THE MANUSCRIPT

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