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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This study addresses a difficult diagnosis in total joint arthroplasty (TJA), not only infection per se being a major complication in TJA but in particular considering a difficult to treat germ such as Coagulase-Negative Staphylococci. Your treatment regime



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corresponds to the generally accepted procedure and your results in treating CoNS corresponds to what can be expected realistically. You also reported complications that occur during the course of time during the treatment of these patients that are not directly related to infection but can be part of the treatment. The incidence of these complication is also within the expected range. The specific trade mark of your study is that it focuses on CoNS. So, it is a good report providing realistic expectations when treating such patients.

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This retrospective study though well written does not deliver any new message. Also, the following points can be considered: (1) Why P. acne organism cases were not included. While some patients with multiple organism infection have been included the



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why not include “Low Virulence organisms” as a group? (2) Very small number of cases. Backward sample size calculation can be done, presuming 100% eradication of PJI to determine whether sample size is adequate. (3) Why the difference between THR and TKA outcome?....a recent published data shows the results which are opposite. [Alvand A, Grammatopoulous G, de Vos F, et al, Clinical Outcome of Massive periprosthetic Joint infections of Hip and Knee. J Arthroplasty, 2018 Mar: 33 (3): 829-8344] (4) Were all patients in THA group had primary arthroplasty due to Femoral fracture? If not then how many? (5) What was the percentage of total THA and TKA performed between 2003 and 2016 that got infected? And what percentage of those were coagulase negative staphylococcal infection? (6) Only one factor is considered for failure for eradication..(Obesity)..Were other factors like diabetes, age, immunocompromised patients, time interval between the first and second stage arthroplasty, static or dynamic spacer, revision of spacer placement and smoking were related to the failure to eradicate the infection. (7) Were all surgeries performed by the author themselves or is it a mixed data as the manuscript describes as “we performed”..if not then it should be changed to “was performed..” (8) The title of the article implies that two stage arthroplasty is the answer to coagulase negative PJI. So the title should be changed.

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