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This study introduces the treatment of 9 keloid, which was performed through a keloid incision and with a custom expander embedded. After full expansion, the keloid was directly resected using a linear suture, which avoids new surgical incisions and scars and can successfully remove large-area keloids. The treatment is effective, providing new insights and strategies for the treatment of similar large-area keloid and hypertrophic scar cases in the future. It's an interesting study; however, I have the following questions and comments: 1. According to your description, nine patients were enrolled in the study, but why is it written in the Abstract "performed 10 surgeries on patients with keloids" on Page 1, Line 20? 2. The format of references should be modified. I also recommend that the manuscript can be published after polishing the English.

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Thank you for giving us the precious opportunity for reading an interesting report. In general, this is a scientifically sound and useful Study examining the treatment of keloids, it was observed that the following sequence of procedures can successfully remove large keloids and achieve a good curative effect: scar incision, embedding of a custom expander, skin expansion to remove the keloid, formation of a single linear suture incision, and then postoperative radiotherapy. However, in my view, this manuscript is a little bit less case as a retrospective study and there is too little in the results section; rather, this study is more like a case report with nine cases. All cases are very typical and would providing new insights and strategies for the treatment of similar large-area keloid and hypertrophic scar cases in the future.