

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Language quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection

<b>Re-review</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Peer-reviewer statements</b>	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors have submitted an interesting manuscript in which they have presented long-term efficacy and safety of csp assisted injection sclerotherapy for hemorrhoids. I have following comments regarding the manuscript. 1. What is soft endoscopy technique? 2. Why aspirin was stopped for 7 days before the procedure? Most guidelines recommend aspirin to be stopped for only 1-2 days before the procedure. 3. Please mention the experience of the endoscopist. 4. Please change 'tooth line' to 'dentate line'. 5. Did the patients use any ayurvedic, Chinese or herbal medicines during the follow up period which could be an important confounding factor in determining the long-term efficacy of csp assisted sclerotherapy? If not known then this point should be mentioned as a limitation of this study. 6. Was the follow up telephonic or on out-patient basis? 7. Please mention the median follow up duration with interquartile range. 8. Please add a figure showing the long needle and the cap used for the procedure.

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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Thank you for inviting me to review this manuscript regarding the long term evaluation for the Casp-assisted endoscopic sclerotherapy for hemorrhoids. This is a single center retrospective study including almost 200 patients. I would like to appraise the authors for their goodmjob managing those patients and for sharing their experience. first I would like to ask about the indication, I can see that you also applied the sceleootherapy for stage 4 hemorrhoids, which usually doesn't results in satisfactory results for the prolapse, how was the prolapse for this specific group. 2. was there any ulceration from the sclerotherapy. 3. further details regarding the exact method and dosage of the injection material need to be added in the method section.

## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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The authors have responded to all my comments