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

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Dear author, You have chosen a very interesting case for surgeon in the developing countries which is a problematic case for treatment because of abdominal compartmental syndrome as for huge hernial always there is no space for reducing the contents but you need to clarify the following points: 1-Giant inguinoscrotal hernias are defined as huge inguinal hernias that extend below the midpoint of the inner thigh in a standing posture but from your photos it is no reaching the midpoint of inner thigh, i can attributed that for the supine position of the patient as this photo must be taken in standing position but the size of scrotum also well be huge and after the repair, i think part of the huge infected scrotum should be excised. 2- As for reduction of huge hernia without compartmental syndrome, one month follow up will not be enough as if there is a recurrence it will be more severer than the original case. 3- What is ment by



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tension-free prosthetic mesh. What is the type absorbable or not. the site of fixation was in the inguinal or abdominal incision or both. this points must be clarified. thanks

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Thank you very much indeed for the opportunity to review this case report. Though the case report is rare and very interesting, there is no striking point of learning for readers. It will be better to pick up the crucial issues such as pathogenesis of giant inguinoscrotal hernia, why it could progress overtime without serious complication as strangulation. After the authors could pick up the interesting point of learning as suggestion, this case report is valuable to submit again for World Journal of Clinical Cases, instead.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Congratulation to the authors for the great work done. This case report is important, and the manuscript is well written. Thank you for the opportunity to review this work. This manuscript is a case report presented with a giant inguinoscrotal hernia with herniation of the ileum and sigmoid colon required surgical repair. Detailed comments about this case report are as follows: -1 Title. Does the title reflect the main subject/hypothesis of the manuscript? -Yes -2 Abstract. Does the abstract summarize and reflect the work described in the manuscript? -According to the guidelines for authors: case reports (<https://www.wjgnet.com/bpg/GerInfo/187>, https://bsdwebstorage.blob.core.windows.net/bpggerinfo/Guidelines_for_Manuscript_Preparation_and_Submission-Case_Report.pdf), “Core tip. Please write a summary of no more than 100 words to present the core content of your manuscript, highlighting the



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most innovative and important findings and/or arguments. The purpose of the Core Tip is to attract readers' interest for reading the full version of your article and increasing the impact of your article in your field of study." Please provide this case report's important aspects or uniqueness in the core tips. -3 Key words. Do the key words reflect the focus of the manuscript? -Yes -4 Background. Does the manuscript adequately describe the background, present status and significance of the study? -Please give the information on the size of a huge inguinoscrotal hernia. In addition, please change the picture (Figure 1) of sizing the huge inguinoscrotal hernia from measuring size with a labeled scale in the cover back of a transparent film dressing to the standard ruler, if available. -In the case presentation section, this patient was diagnosed with sepsis. In addition, the authors stated that "Most importantly, apart from the initial surgical intervention, appropriate antimicrobial therapy was fundamental in our patient with sepsis" in the discussion section. What is/are antibiotic(s) used in this patient? Why the physician chose that/those antibiotic(s) in this patient? -5 Methods. Does the manuscript describe methods (e.g., experiments, data analysis, surveys, and clinical trials, etc.) in adequate detail? -Not applicable. -6 Results. Are the research objectives achieved by the experiments used in this study? -There were good results. -7 Discussion. Does the manuscript interpret the findings adequately and appropriately, highlighting the key points concisely, clearly and logically? -In the case presentation section, the authors stated, "Several days before the patient presented to the emergency department, he also experienced general weakness and decreased urine output." Please explain the correlation between this several days condition and his present illness of a huge left inguinoscrotal hernia in the discussion section. -To our best knowledge, the inguinal hernia was related to occupational mechanical exposures and lifestyle factors. The authors stated in the case presentation section, "The patient had been working as a security guard for more than 10 years and was a non-smoker." Please discuss the risk

factors that could cause an inguinoscrotal hernia in this patient. -The giant inguinoscrotal hernia was reported as case reports in several previous publications (for example, Int J Surg Case Rep. 2021 Nov;88:106467, BMC Surg. 2017 Dec 19;17(1):135, Int Surg. 2014 Sep-Oct;99(5):560-4, Int J Surg Case Rep. 2019;55:174-178, J Surg Case Rep. 2021 Oct 28;2021(10):rjab458, Int J Surg Case Rep. 2016;25:51-4. Please compare the uniqueness of this patient to the previous case reports. -8 Illustrations and tables. Are the figures, diagrams and tables sufficient, good quality and appropriately illustrative of the paper contents? -Yes -9 Biostatistics. Does the manuscript meet the requirements of biostatistics? -Not applicable. -10 Units. Does the manuscript meet the requirements of use of SI units? -Yes -11 References. Does the manuscript cite appropriately the latest, important and authoritative references in the introduction and discussion sections? -Yes -12 Quality of manuscript organization and presentation. Is the manuscript well, concisely and coherently organized and presented? Is the style, language and grammar accurate and appropriate? -In the case presentation section, an abbreviation of "wk" should be changed to the full term. -13 Research methods and reporting. Did the author prepare the manuscript according to the appropriate research methods and reporting? -The CARE checklist mentions the "strengths and limitations in your approach to this case." Therefore, please state the limitations of the approach to this case in the manuscript in the discussion section. -14 Ethics statements. Did the manuscript meet the requirements of ethics? -Yes

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Dear author, great work, i think it deserve to be published

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The authors could correct the manuscript in line with the suggestions from reviewers.

The manuscript is ready for publication.

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The authors have modified the text following the reviewers' suggestions. I think the manuscript deserves publication in this final version. Thank you for the opportunity to review a good case report.