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### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The authors discuss a the how information from a written radiologist report to the surgeon may result in loss of information which may lead to ineffective treatment either suboptimal healing of anal incompetence as a result of destruction to the external anal sphincter. The describe how a video in addition to the written report and also reporting the HOPE may result in more favorable outcomes in the management of fistula. Paper is well written and concise and expresses how the added information would result in improved clinical outcomes based of procedure patient already have. The text is well written but as this is not a study where you describe methods author may consider removing the titles methods and discussion as they do not appear to be appropriate here here (Main text as in the instruction for authors in this kind of paper).



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