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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The aims and design of the study was good, however, some major defects existed in parts of methods and results as following: 1. As a prospective cohort study, to determine if prophylactic clipping of the GSEMR base prevents perforations, it is necessary to add the definition of perforation and post-polypectomy hemorrhage adopted in the study. 2. In part of result, "in Phase 1, four perforations occurred in 75 (5.3%) patients and 95 (4.2%) polypectomies. There were no post-polypectomy hemorrhages". It is hard to believe. According to common practice, the post-polypectomy hemorrhage is more common than perforation. 3. Table 2: Polyp Histopathology: In phase 1, the sum of various type of histopathology was 66%, in phase 2 the sum of various type of histopathology was 151%, these results are difficult to understand.



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The authors have included patients from two cohorts one with selective application of clips and other with all inclusive clipping of all post polypectomy sites. The authors have concluded that clips should be applied for all large post polypectomy defects since there was perforation in 4 patients in the first cohort with selective clipping but not with all inclusive clipping. The P value is <0.001. The design of the study is good and it does answer some vital questions. We need more information about the 4 perforations. Was there a target sign and how big was the resected polyp for it to not qualify for closure with clips. What was the reason that the endoscopist decided not to clip these. A large polyp is usually >2cm as per Dr.Rex in GIE-2009. Why did the authors decide to clip polyps that were 1.2-2cm. Was there any perforation with the resected polyps between 1.2cm-2cm. If there were no perforation of the polyps in the range of 1.2cm -2cm, I think clips should not be applied for resection of such small polyps as the cost of the procedure will escalate. Lastly, what are authors views about the cost benefit to clip every resected polyp >1.2cm considering that each clip will cost



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In both Phase 1 and Phase 2, what was the mean polyp size of the 2 groups and what was the mean polyp size of the 4 perforations that occurred in Phase 1?