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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I read the paper with interests, entitled "Robotic colorectal surgery: Current practice and future developments" by Roy S, et al. My comments are as follow. The authors reviewed the current robotic surgery in the field of colorectal cancer. This paper has educational information including current status for robotic surgery and future technology such as tactile system to achieve the careful manipulation of tissues and suturing. This paper was generally well written; however, additional figures or tables are helpful to highlight the authors' opinion.



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Informative and well written summary of the current state of robotic applications in the field. The scope of the article extends beyond colorectal surgery, including the discussion of nanotechnology, and perhaps either the title should be modified to reflect that.



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The authors present a review of current and future uses of the robot. I have several comments: - The article seems to focus on current limitations of the robot, rather than an in-depth review of current uses. The major focus is on a preview of future developments. I would suggest changing the title accordingly (e.g. "Current limitations and preview of future developments") - The authors report that there are improved sexual function and decreased morbidity with robotic prostatectomy. This has not been shown in every study (Hu JC et al. JAMA 2009;302(14):157). - The improved TME grade has also not been proven. The ROLAAR study is a randomized, prospective trial with lap vs. robot and results are available in abstract form: <https://www.fascrs.org/video/robotic-vs-laparoscopic-resection-rectal-cancer-rolarr-trial> (which showed no difference between lap vs. robot. And only a trend towards decreased conversion in obese males). - There seems to be a lot of jumping around that occurs in the first few pages of the manuscript. I think this would be better served by less text and a comparative table showing the studies discussed / referenced and the major findings, # of patients, type of study, etc. - At several points, the authors focus on lap vs. open, and it seems this is beyond the scope of the paper, as it is a



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study of current and future uses of the robot. - The section on capsule endoscopy in the second half of the manuscript should be combined with the section on robotic endoscopy. It is somewhat redundant. - The conclusion should add a sentence that the robot may allow the benefits of minimally invasive surgery to a wider range of technically challenging situations. While many of these aspects remain in development, the future is bright.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Robotic colorectal surgery: current practice and future development Thank you for the opportunity to review this paper The field of robotic surgery is developing and this is a nice review on the topic. Few comments: Results from the ROLARR study has been published at the ESCP meeting in Dublin on 11/2015 please complete One of the advantages of the Robot system upon conventional lap is the computer between the surgeon and the patients. Please address this concept with relation to current status and future options. Some figures and illustrations will make it more appealing to the reader The manuscript appears to be an overview rather than a review