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

As a guideline document for endoscopic gold during the popularity of COIVD-19. I think the author has done a excellent summary. As a reviewer, I think the author's language, content and forms are excellent.



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The idea of summarising information on endoscopy during COVID-19 pandemic is good. However overall, the manuscript lacks detail. General statements eg: limiting staff (but how many?), conserving resources, reducing electives are common knowledge. For your manuscript to be impactful, you need details (how many cases your institution usually perform, how's the trend over last 6 months, what are the type of cases performed now and breakdown of cases, how many endoscopy rooms are there). These details are useful so that readers can apply accordingly to their institution. The reference source of the manuscript is poorly cited too. Authors should recognise that decision for cancellation of cases doesn't depend on patient's symptoms/presentation but resources available and logistics arrangement. There are many general statements eg 'non-urgent symptoms', 'high-risk procedure', 'only essential staff', 'standard cleaning and disinfection', 'standardised reprocessing procedures' etc. All these need to be defined and specified, when, how, why.



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Since the manuscript was Expert Recommendations type, no additional comments for the author(s).