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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

It is a very interesting paper and a new approach to manage the adhesive small bowel obstruction. However, from the standpoint of the surgeon there are some conceptual problems. Water-soluble contrast agent (gastrografin ?) is used widely as part of conservative treatment of adhesive small bowell obstruction with good results. For this reason the authors should compare the use of daikenchuto versus conservative treatment including gastrografin