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COMMENTS

COMMENTS TO AUTHORS:

Clinical study and review by Zhang demonstrate the benefit of the mesh Crurasoft in surgical therapy of hiatal hernia. The study is of clinical interest and in the scope of the WJG-readership. Comments: The number of own patients ($n = 21$) is probably too low to make general conclusions. Therefore concluding remarks should be given with caution. However, the findings are in line with data published by others. Molecular characteristics of the dual-sided composite mesh Crurasoft should be given in detail, including the manufacturer/ distributor. The authors should make the attempt to explain the benefit of the mesh with regard to special chemical/ molecular mesh components. The current classification of hiatal hernia should be given in a table. Abbreviation HH is used in the abstract, but not introduced to the reader. A clear statement of all authors should be given that any conflict of interest is disclosed.