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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	Google Search:	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Existing	<input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> No records	<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejected	<input type="checkbox"/> Existing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Poor		<input type="checkbox"/> No records	<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision

COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This article is just a list of published literature, even missing some of the milestones published, with limited critical analysis of what it has been done till now. Major: 1. It was Navarra in 1997 the first to publish about a single incision (although multipart) transumbelical lap chole, not Bresadola 2. when talking about rectal cancer treatment state of the art, you mention that "Recent studies demonstrated favorable short-term outcomes in rectal cancer patients " citing Agha A, Benseler V, Hornung M, Gerken M, Iesalnieks I, Fürst A, Anthuber M, Jauch KW, Schlitt HJ. Long-term oncologic outcome after laparoscopic surgery for rectal cancer. Surg Endosc 2013; Epub ahead of print, which is a paper about LONG TERM results. There is also a systematic review and meta-analysis published by Arezzo A et al in 2012 in Surgical Endoscopy on short-term result, which was replicated on the UEG Journal limiting the analysis on only extra peritoneal cancers i.e. TME: Laparoscopy for rectal cancer reduces short-term mortality and morbidity: results of a systematic review and meta-analysis. Arezzo A, Passera R, Scozzari G, Verra M, Morino M. Surg Endosc. 2013 May;27(5):1485-502. Arezzo, Alberto Laparoscopy for extraperitoneal rectal cancer reduces short-term morbidity: Results of a systematic review and meta-analysis United European Gastroenterology Journal February 2013 1: 32-47 3. you cannot make a review on SILS missing the Systematic Review and Meta-analysis published in 2012 by Arezzo A et al (Surg Endosc. 2013 Jul;27(7):2293-304. Is single-incision laparoscopic cholecystectomy safe? Results of a systematic review and meta-analysis. Arezzo A, Scozzari G, Famiglietti F, Passera R, Morino M.), which collects about 1.000 RCT patients, as well as



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presenting the ongoing trials on SILS chile which is currently organised by the same group, which is the largest trial worldwide, and of which also a publication exists (Endoscopic surgery through single-port incision: time for a trial? Arezzo A, Morino M. Surg Endosc. 2011 Jun;25(6):1709-11.) Cholecystectomy is still by far the largest procedure performed under SILS conditions and so this is where for now you can gain infos about what the real advantages of SILS could be. 4. both in the abstract and in the text, it is sometime misspelled "down-to-up" into "up-to-down" 5. Neither the report of the 2 years activity of the EURO-NOTES Clinical Registry is reported, nor the results of the EURO-NOTES meetings including state of the art and future perspectives, despite they include the opinion of the continental experts on the topic 6. there should be a larger part dedicated to what were the expectations of both SILS and NOTES in terms of advantages and which have been the results up to now

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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejected	<input type="checkbox"/> Existing	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Poor		<input type="checkbox"/> No records	<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision

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A good review, but its length might prevent people from reading it.

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This is a review manuscript which is well written. The authors are given an interest approach of the subject. With the increasing experience in laparoscopic surgery, SILS and NOTES seem to be a logical and feasible approach in scar less surgery. However, conclusive advantages and long term results need to be confirmed by randomized controlled trials. Difficulties related to the access site are still under evaluation. Others limitations include available instruments working angles and specimen extraction. Also, NOTES has not yet achieved wide acceptance.