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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Comment about the manuscript : colorectal cancer and lymph nodes: the obsession with the number 12 Major modifications The authors of the present review aimed to review the real importance to get 12 sampled lymph node for colon cancer ad to review factors that can impact on it. 1/ The authors should clarify in which section they want to publish the present paper. It looks as an editorial or a letter to the editor in its contents but the length of the paper is similar to a systematic review with a significant number of references but not enough data about analyzed series. 2/ The paper in its present form is hard to read, the authors should introduce more chapter section to make it easier to read. 3/ The paper should be easier to read with less sentences, more real outcomes of studies and more tables. The lack of tables is a weakness of the paper. In conclusion the purpose of the paper is interesting and the authors did an extensive review but major modifications in the form and the presentation are necessary to accept the paper for publication as a review instead as an interesting but personal discussion;



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I enjoy reading this manuscript. In reality, there's one common situation where sampling 12 LNs would also be difficult to achieve; that is bowel resection for patients known to have malignant polyp (T1 lesion).