

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

**Name of journal:** World Journal of Gastroenterology

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**Title:** Khubchandani's procedure combined with stapled posterior rectal wall resection for rectocele

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			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Interesting study. Several procedures for rectocele resection have been reported, and STARR procedure was more often used. However, the STARR procedure still had its disadvantages, and no surgical technique has been widely adopted as the gold-standard



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procedure for rectocele treatment, as well as rectocele combined with rectum prolapse. In this study, the authors performed a new procedure that combined Khubchandani's procedure with stapled posterior rectal wall resection in 42 female patients with obstructed defecation syndrome caused by rectocele combined with or without rectal mucosal prolapse, and its safety and effectiveness was evaluated and compared with the STARR procedure. Overall, the study is well designed and the results are very interesting. However, I have some minor comments. First, the manuscript requires an editing, many blanks are missing, and some minor language polishing should be revised; second, I suggest to edit the table 2 and table 3, if possible, please combine them into one table; third, the title seems too long, please short it.

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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this randomized clinical trial study, the authors evaluated the efficacy and safety of a novel rectocele repair combining Khubchandani's procedure with stapled posterior rectal wall resection. The study is well designed. The results are interesting. 1. In the



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method section, the inclusion criteria is in detail and very clear. Are there any exclusion criteria? Please make a statement. 2. The two procedure is well shown by Figure 2. 3. The follow up is good, are there any plans to make a continued follow up? 4. The results are well discussed. And the limit of this study is also listed and discussed. Any plans for a larger number of patients, a multiple center study, and a longer-term follow-up to further prove the effectiveness and safety? 5. Manuscript requires a careful editing. Maybe the editor of the journal can help. 6. Some minor language polishing should be corrected.

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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This study is very interesting. Only the title is too long, and a minor language revision is required.



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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Interesting study about a novel rectocele repair combining Khubchandani's procedure with stapled posterior rectal wall resection. The title need to be shorten; tables need to be checked and revised; also, the manuscript requires an editing.



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