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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Thank you for allowing me to review this article. I have a few observations regarding the manuscript. Please find my comments below: Title – the purpose of the study is to analyse potential risk factors or determining factors for the occurrence of SMAS. In this current form, it may create the feeling that the authors have found the exact aetiology of this syndrome, when the study merely presents findings in accordance to data known in the literature. Methods – clearer division of this section should be done. For instance, at the management subsection, the authors present data specific to the experimental group and how the control group was selected, facts that do not represent the way SMAS was managed. Nevertheless, regarding the control group – is there any statistically significant difference between experimental and control group in terms of the number of patients included in each of them? (6 vs 20). Furthermore, the title announces a potential presentation of determining factors, when in fact the authors have only studied the differences between the angles and the distances between the SMA and AA. It would have been appropriate to include a statistical comparison between the two groups, in terms of other known risk factors (BMI, what type of lymphadenectomy was performed in the control group, what type of surgical approach was used in the control group, etc.). Results – the results are in accordance to data existing in literature. Discussion – the authors state that in this study they also perform a review of literature besides evaluating the cases of SMAS that occurred in their study, which is a bit confusing. May I suggest highlighting in the title that this is also a review of literature? With this statement, it becomes quite ambiguous what do the authors try to achieve or present in this manuscript.

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It is an interesting manuscript about a rare and interesting topic. Some grammar and typing errors should be corrected. The contrast CT images are beautiful and suggestive.

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The manuscript is good and can be accepted

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors compared six cases of SMAS after laparoscopic-assisted radical right hemicolectomy with 20 cases in their own 256 cases and risk factors for the development of postoperative SMAS. This is an interesting report; however, it seems to be required some revisions.

- 1 . There are many spacing errors.
- 2 . Why did the authors compare only 20 cases of the non-developed group instead of comparing the SMAS developed group with all non-developed cases? If the authors compare some cases in the non-developed group, it would be good to match the background of cases with and without SMAS.
- 3 . The sentence starting with "In this paper, we retrospective" on the 3rd line of the introduction seems to be an inappropriate description for the introduction part.
- 4 . The six cases of postoperative SMAS should be presented in a table to help the reader understand them.
- 5 . The details of the statistics should be described in the METHOD of the main text, not in the METHOD of the Abstract.
- 6 . If the conclusion is a little shorter, it will be easier for the reader to understand the point of this paper.
- 7 . A description of what appears to be the result seems to be included in the method section of the text.
- 8 . Over-cleaning of lymph fatty tissues was performed in how many of the 250 cases without SMAS?

RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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1) The description of spacing error in the abstract and the method in the main text is not enough yet. 2) I think title changes are not appropriate if submitted in an original article.