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Interesting full review regarding nutritional status of patient who eligible for colorectal surgery



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The authors' effort in putting this review together must be congratulated. It is a well constructed evidence based review that provides in-depth discussion on the association of serum albumin level with the outcomes after colorectal surgery. However, the authors described in their article that malnutrition and nutritional status lacks clear definition, and clinician often determine nutritional status anecdotally. I am not in agreement with these claims because there are clear guidelines from ESPEN and ASPEN to define malnutrition, to screen and to assess patient's nutritional status. The authors may consider to revise these claims or discuss further.