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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an interesting study of screening for patients for sleep apnoea during colonoscopy. The paper is well written and presents a convincing proposal which may not have been addressed before as it crosses a field not handled normally by gastroenterologists. The only question I have is the high number of authors compared to the number of subjects. Is this number of authors really necessary.



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This is a very interesting study! I just have some concerns about study method. There could be multiple causes of drops of oxygen saturation during colonoscopy examinations sedated with propofol, like bronchospasm, hypotension, bradycardia, arrhythmia, excessive dose of sedative, apnea directly related to propofol and other. I think it’s a pure simplification attribute all desaturation events during colonoscopy examinations to obstructive sleep apnea (OAS). I think it is important to discriminate the total dose of propofol per patient and dose of propofol per weight. This could help us to confirm or not if OAS was the only responsible for desaturation events during examinations. There was not described in the method what was the level of sedation and the method of propofol administration by nurse: bolus plus additional injections or bolus plus continuous infusion. Propofol sedation using a dose < 200 mg per patient proved both safe and practical for outpatient colonoscopy. There are minor grammatical errors and repetitive phrases.



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