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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This paper is interesting. However, significant revision is necessary to improve the final quality of the manuscript. Important. Meta-analysis. This implies statistical analysis. A meta-analysis uses a statistical approach to combine the results from multiple studies. Who did perform statistical analysis? The way authors present their results is more like a simple literature review than a meta-analysis. Please add a chapter with "Statistical Analysis" and revise the whole manuscript accordingly. This is necessary in order to keep the word "meta-analysis". Please, modify Results accordingly. Therefore, inclusion criteria should be modified accordingly. Authors must specify Level of Evidence of included studies. Please add this information in Tables and in Methods/Results. There is no Discussion, only a conclusion paragraph. Authors should discuss all papers they included in their meta-analysis (pros/cons/possible bias). Moreover, a take home message should be added at the very end. Authors should briefly describe surgical techniques (drawings/pictures are always welcomed). Can authors provide a treatment algorithm based on their review findings? References should be implemented.



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This is a review concerning the beneficial effect of the triangle tilt surgery and humeral surgery in permanent obstetric brachial plexus injury (OBPI) patients from the literature. The review was comprehensive and should be published.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript requires a substantial revision. I strongly recommend the authors to assess each study included into the metaanalysis with the scoring system by Downs and Black (Downs SH, Black N: The feasibility of creating a checklist for the assessment of the methodological quality both of randomised and non-randomised studies of health care interventions. J Epidemiol Community Health 1998; 52: 377-84). Furthermore, substantial changes need to be undertaken regarding this very short discussion: Please outline what your results add to the body of knowledge. Clearly describe in your discussion how your meta-analysis tries to close an important gap in knowledge. Furthermore discuss your results with the finding of preexisting, major studies included into your meta-analysis



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I think this paper titled 'Triangle tilt and humeral surgery: Meta- analysis of efficacy and functional out come.' is so interesting and had been well-considered. Whilst the subject of the study is interesting but There are serious contradictions in this article. For example: author said that 'modified Mallet classification was used this article' but all studies in this article had been used 'Mallet classification'. It appears that the results of the study were not evaluated again by using any statistical evaluation. the results include only the writers' comments. Also the discussion part of the study is quite short for meta-analysis and not satisfactory. Findings were not evaluated and discussed in discussion. So it is considered that the study is not suitable for publication in its present form. Best regards