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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

It should add active knee flexion at follow up.



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The topic is interesting, but the manuscript needs a great deal of polishing before acceptance. First, introduction is too long and generic. Second, the methodology is not well described and obscure. Lastly, discussion is very poor.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The work done by DeSousa and Chandran is interesting to show ITM (0.2 mg) is superior to single shot FNB (20 ml, 0.5% Bupivacaine) in pain management after total knee arthroplasty. This retrospective analysis is worthy of publishing as it provides value clinical information for how pre-emptive analgesia could effectively prevent or mitigate postoperative pain. Beneath are some minor comments for this manuscript. 1. In the Introduction, please briefly describe the major finding in the previous study by Frassanito and colleagues. 2. Please provide a reference to support the calculation that 100 mg tramadol is equivalent to 10 mg morphine. 3. In the conclusion, it will be more appropriate to specify that "it is 0.2mg ITM more effective than FNB", since other doses may have different outcome. 4. In Figure 2, the Y-axis should be Pain score. 5. English editing is needed.