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# SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this study, the authors found that the obesity can increase the overall complication rate and SSI rate of patients with colorectal cancer after radical operation. These findings are interesting. The reviewer recommends to accept this manuscript after a minor editing.



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This is an interesting study of the relationship between body mass index and short-term postoperative prognosis in patients undergoing colorectal cancer surgery. In this study, the authors conducted this meta-analysis study to explore the relationship between BMI and short-term prognosis after surgery for colorectal cancer. The study is well designed and performed. The findings are remarkable, and well discussed. Minor comments: 1. The manuscript requires a minor editing. Some minor language polishing should be revised. 2. The conclusion is missing in the main text. Please check and add it. 3. References should be edited.

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Dear Professor



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Thank you for your feedback. We have carefully read the manuscript submitted by us «The relationship between body mass index and short-term postoperative prognosis in patients undergoing colorectal cancer surgery: a systematic review and meta-analysis» And completed the revision based on the comments of all reviewers. All the comments are valuable and help improve our manuscript.