

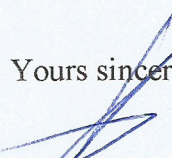
Institutional Review Board Approval

24 January 2022

Title: Change point analysis validation of the learning curve in laparoscopic colorectal surgery: experience from a non-structured training setting

This retrospective chart review study involving human participants was in accordance with the ethical standards of the institutional and national research committee and with the 1964 Helsinki Declaration and its later amendments or comparable ethical standards. We consulted extensively with the IRB of University Hospital of Larissa who determined that our study did not need ethical approval since all procedures being performed were part of the routine care.

Yours sincerely,



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