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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Morise et al. described pure laparoscopic liver resection for chronic liver disease. They showed 6 representative case reports without clinical profiles. Although the technique of mobilization and resection of the liver seems to be nice, it is very difficult to decide if this manuscript style would fit for publication in this Journal. They described clinical data of their experience in the text. These data should be listed on the table. I apologize for saying that entire text did not follow format of this journal. Therefore, it is also too difficult to point out any inquiries either. If I put the page number from the beginning, they summarized 6 out of 21 patients who received pure laparoscopic liver resection in page 9. On the other hand, they described 41 patients who received same surgery in page 11. These descriptions are too confuse to understand what they did pure laparoscopic liver resection for any patients. In addition, inclusion criteria for their approach is also undescribed. Please rearrange table and text. Please check for the manner for using parenthesis and square brackets. Furthermore, if this is an invited review from the editor, please summarized and arrange table for previous relevant reports at least.



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This is an interesting manuscript written by a group skilled in laparoscopic liver resections for HCC. Major comments The manuscript is not accompanied by any figures and tables which takes away from the message the authors are trying to convey. In addition, the type of article that the authors want it to be is not clear. If it is a review then enough studies and data from other papers has not been included. On the other hand if this is more of an original manuscript or how I do it article then the authors' own experience, data, surgical technique including positioning, port placement, etc needs to be described in greater detail. Minor comments The second paragraph in the abstract essentially is a repetition of the introduction and is not needed. At couple of places double language needs to be corrected especially "not small number of patients have cirrhosis with HCC and not small number require repeat procedures---" should be replaced by a significant proportion of HCC patients.