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it is a well written review article that I totally agree with



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1) First 3 paragraphs should be condensed to one paragraph. Needs to be more concise. Ie: obesity is a major public health problem for several reasons, it is very common and very expensive. 2) Para 4-6 should be made more concise. Again, treatments for obesity are related to the pathophysiology. Broadly, there are diet/nutrition, exercise, pharmacotherapy and surgery. Surgery has risks. 3) Table 1 is unnecessary 4) Can essentially break down the arguments against EGD as: findings don't change surgical plan 5) Would restructure article body -- start with the current practice is and summarize as you have stated the guidelines and surveys of practice. Next, discuss pros and cons. Finally, end with your own practice 6) What is the role, if any, of routine pre-op esophageal manometry and ph testing? Most of the findings discussed on EGD may benefit from this eval? This is an interesting review topic but needs significant restructuring and polishing.



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Authors evaluated current literature and opinions by different scholars and associations and presented differences between opinions supported by the results of relevant studies. considering that opinions on a given topic differ among organizations, I am of the opinion that the topic is even more attractive and needful. Still, there are many issues regarding the manuscript, as shown below: - Style, language and grammar need a significant improvement. Many sentences do not make sense, while some are redundant for the future audience, such as "...in other words, the examinations carried out while preparing an obese individual for laparoscopic cholecystectomy are unfortunately not enough for bariatric surgery...", "...standard preoperative evaluation of EGD is not indicated for bariatric surgery patients because of the high number of clinically significant abnormalities that needs to be screened...", and so on. - Literature is not formatted as required by F6Publishing and some ascertainments miss the literature source, as "...Studies have shown that surgical methods lead to more effective and pemanent weight loss in the long term compared to..." - WHICH STUDIES?; "...In routine laboratory analysis, blood count, fasting blood glucose, creatinine, AST, ALT (ABBREVIATIONS??), coagulation profile, lipid profile..."-CITATION MISSING; "...before starting this discussion, we would like to state that the authors support routine EGD..."-CITATION MISSING, and in many more. - Only the positive aspects of bariatric surgery are mentioned, while pitfalls aren't. - Table 1. is excessive.