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Title: Cutaneous metastasis from gastric adenocarcinoma at the drain site: a case report

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I revised the written English. About Dr. Eduardo Fernandes review of the paper, I can reply that upper GI tract metastasis to the skin is a rare occurrence (1%) and specifically gastric cancer causes only 6% of all cutaneous metastases. This report is about drain site metastasis, that is different from "port" site metastasis. In laparoscopy we use carboperitoneum, with causes a positive pressure in the peritoneal cavity, and it is released opening the ports at the end of the surgical procedure. This manoeuvre can cause a malignant cell spreading around port sites, and it is well described in literature. Drains are commonly used in many surgical procedures, laparoscopic or not, and only 8 papers were published describing "drain site metastasis", none of them about gastric cancer. Case reports are useful to describe uncommon or rare findings in clinical practice, and I think every report add something interesting to literature.