Reviewer's report

Title: Early experience with Single-Incision Laparoscopic Surgery (SILS) for the placement of a gastrostomy in a 10-year-old girl: a case report

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Reviewer: Timothy Kane

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: None

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: No

Is this case worth reporting?: No

Is the case report persuasive?: No

Does the case report have explanatory value?: No

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: No

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: No

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

This is an acceptable approach for placing gastrostomy tube in a child. The use of SILS although becoming more widely utilized must take into account the benefits and advantage to the patients. Cosmesis is not significantly better by utilizing the authors approach for example in comparison to Georgeson's technique. It is also more costly likely due to the use of the SILS port by Covidien as compared to a single 5 mm port at umbilicus or even reusable 4 mm trocar for this procedure.

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests