Reviewer’s report

Title: Seroma suppression in mastectomy patients - a case report using TissuGlu

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Reviewer: Umar Khan

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

If other, please specify:

A case report with ambiguous results.

Has the case been reported coherently?: No

Is the case report authentic?: No

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: No

Is the case report persuasive?: No

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

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:

Author has done inadequate literature search. Citing of references 3-6 and weighing it against a case report is not justified. There are larger comparative studies to prove Progressive Tension Suture’s (PTS) unequivocal efficacy.


Further more the authors used two drains which were left for 4 and five days with 135 and 200ml drainage respectively. The case report would have been more authentic if there was no seroma without using drains. It is possible that TissuGlu might have assisted in reducing the drainage but cannot be conclusively established on the basis of a single case.

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable