Reviewer's report

Title: Analysis of the association between paternity and reoperation for urethral obstruction in adult hypospadias patients who underwent two-stage repair in childhood

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The authors present an interesting idea however it was lacking on execution. The authors operate under the assumption that strictures and obstructive factors were the most important reasons for delayed paternity. Unfortunately this is a missed opportunity that the authors did not review all applicable parameters. I was unable to see what questions the questionnaire included but I would argue that not only strictures would be to blame but it would be interesting to look at degree of hypospadias, degree of curvature if measured before and after, quality of the ejaculate in severe cases, self esteem with repeated surgeries my predispose to lack of confidence to pursue relationships. Also the study had a very high reoperation rate for distal cases which the authors did not elaborate on. It would be also interesting to find out what was the number of patients in an active relationship and desiring paternity. How many had curvature that led to intercourse problems? how many had ejaculation difficulty?

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