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Title: Impact of Case Volume per Year on Flexible Ureteroscopy Practice: An Internet Based Survey

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This manuscript is an internet based survey of practice of FURS, and results are classified based on case volume.

If it is possible, the practices across continents (say, Europe, Asia, US, Australia can be compared)

What was the indication for Pre-FURS ureteric stent, in how many were stent placed again?

Details regarding FURS size (F), UAS size, duration of stent preop could be useful information.

Results 2nd para: Does it mean that high volume surgeons have more years of doing FURS?

Scope damage and change - difference in case load, case complexity could change.

Results are very short.

Discussion is longer.

Page 5 Line 18 - can't should be changed as cannot.

Grammar errors need correction.

Since it is an online survey it is not feasible to collect additional data.

Can add limitations, future directions.

There are few points in discussion which are not mentioned which are not available in results.
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