

Dear Readers,

We are delighted to present the latest issue of the *World Journal of Laparoscopic Surgery*, featuring a diverse array of articles that underscore the cutting-edge advancements and clinical insights in the field of laparoscopic surgery. This volume encapsulates a spectrum of research, ranging from innovative techniques to comprehensive reviews and intriguing case reports.

In our original articles, authors Ramesh S Koujalagi and Amol Agarwal explore the efficacy of using Trocars and Ports Dipped in 10% Povidone Iodine Solution to Prevent Port-site Infections, offering valuable insights from a randomized controlled trial. Meanwhile, Subbiah Shanmugam, Arun Victor Jebasingh, and Nagarajan Surulivelu present a detailed analysis of Laparoscopic Mesorectal Excision for Rectal Cancer, shedding light on its pathological outcomes and short-term survival benefits.

The comparative study by Arun P Moray, Suman S Balani, and Nitin Kulkarni on Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy versus Laparoscopic-assisted Vaginal Hysterectomy provides critical perspectives on surgical outcomes in gynecological practice.

In the realm of research articles, Abd-Elfattah Kalmoush and colleagues investigated the Utility of Drains following Totally Laparoscopic Gastrectomy, contributing valuable data to the ongoing debate in gastric cancer surgery. Similarly, Sankaran U Prasanth Kumar, Thiagarajan Senthilkumar and Rangineni S Rohitha present findings on Laparoscopic versus Open Simple Nephrectomy, offering insights into the management of non-functioning kidneys.

Our review article by Shiv P Bagchi delves into the nuances of 24-hour pH Monitoring in Evaluating Pre- and Post-laparoscopic Fundoplication, synthesizing existing knowledge to guide clinical practice effectively.

The issue also features compelling case reports that illustrate the versatility of laparoscopic techniques in managing rare and challenging conditions. From the Laparoscopic Management of Achalasia Cardia and Acute Small Bowel Obstruction to the Complexities of Chyle Leak and Colonic Perforation, each case report offers valuable clinical lessons and showcases the expanding boundaries of laparoscopic surgery.

As editors, we are committed to advancing the frontiers of laparoscopic surgery through this journal, providing a platform for researchers and practitioners to share their expertise and innovations. We hope this issue sparks new ideas, fosters collaborations, and ultimately enhances patient care worldwide.

Thank you for your continued support and interest in the *World Journal of Laparoscopic Surgery*. We look forward to your feedback and contributions as we strive to drive excellence in minimally invasive surgical practices.

Warm regards,



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