Response to: Comment to “No-Drain Single Incision Liposuction Pull-Through Technique for Gynecomastia”

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We thank the authors for their commentary on our article. Their commentary is mostly a summary of their previous publication, in which they reported their experience with gynecomastia surgery through a periareolar incision with a few added modifications. We agree that an open excision through a periareolar incision is direct, reproducible, and easy to replicate, which is likely why it is a very common approach. For all the reasons we have described in our article, we find the liposuction pull-through technique to be, in our hands, a superior approach as it is simple, safe, fast, and easy to learn. We prefer to avoid the surgical creation and undermining of large flaps,

with the possible consequences of hematomas, irregularities, additional operating time, and need to place a drain. Doing the liposuction first makes the excision much easier and faster. Another benefit to our approach that is not mentioned in our article is that surgeons can always start the surgery aiming to use the liposuction pull-through technique; if they are not satisfied they can then easily convert to the open approach. We all would prefer the approach that has fewer complications, less scars, and shorter operative time, and it is up to the individual surgeon to decide which approach can deliver that in their hands and for every particular patient.

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