Letter to the Editor

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We congratulate Abu Hashim et al. [1] on his large prospective randomized series with the objective of comparing the efficacy of laparoscopic ovarian drilling (LOD) versus continuation of clomiphene citrate (CC) up to six further cycles in PCOS patients who failed to achieve pregnancy despite the previous successful CC-induced ovulation.

Our concern is that the study was designed to be a randomized comparative trial rather than a controlled study. We think a proper control group for this design would be a group of age and body mass index matched PCOS women with the previous successful CC-induced ovulation who conceived naturally during the same period of the study. This proper study-controlled prospective

design would make the results quite different and would make the conclusions more sensible and more confirmatory.

Conflict of interest We do not have any conflict of interest regarding this letter.

Reference

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