



# Letter to the Editor: Effective Technique for Pancreas Transplantation by Iliac Vascular Transposition, Without Heparin-Based Anticoagulation Therapy

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I read with great interest the October 2021 article entitled “Effective Technique for Pancreas Transplantation by Iliac Vascular Transposition, Without Heparin-Based Anticoagulation Therapy” [1]. While I agree that iliac vein transposition can be an effective method for pancreas transplantation; I was surprised that the discussion stated that it is of benefit to avoid portal venous jump grafts due to the increased risk of thrombosis. The reference quoted was from a 2012 study from *Prog Urol*, Please see our updated 2014 paper which showed no increased risk of thrombosis with portal venous jump grafts. The use of venous jump grafts in pancreatic transplantation—no dif-

ference in patient or allograft outcomes—an update of the UNOS database [2].

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