MELD-Na score and postoperative complications in hernia repair

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Dear Editor,

We read the publication on “Model for End-Stage Liver Disease Sodium (MELD-Na) score associated with postoperative complications in hernia repair in non-cirrhotic patients” with a great interest [1]. Schlosser et al. concluded that “MELD-Na score is independently associated with postoperative complications in ventral hernia repair [1]”. In fact, the important problem for using the mentioned score in clinical practice is the variability of the score due to the basic primary parameters of the score derived from different laboratories [2]. In addition, it is also observed that the MELD-Na score was greatly affected by international normalised ratio (INR) [3]. Hence, the use of the score has to be carefully interpreted in cases with anticoagulant treatment [3].

Compliance with ethical standards

Conflict of interest Authors declare that they have no conflict of interest.

Ethical approval Approval from the institutional review board was not required for this study.

Human and animal rights This article does not contain any studies directly involving human participants, as it is a review of data already collected in a hernia database.

Informed consent For this type of study, formal consent was not required.

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