Erratum

Laparoscopic-Assisted Versus Open Abdominoperineal Resection for Low Rectal Cancer: A Prospective Randomized Trial

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In Table 3 of the article titled “Laparoscopic-Assisted Versus Open Abdominoperineal Resection for Low Rectal Cancer: A Prospective Randomized Trial” by Ng et al (DOI: 10.1245/s10434-008-9895-0) the correct unit of measure for blood loss is (mL, mean and range) not (mL, mean $\pm$ SD) as published.

The correct table in its entirety is:

TABLE 3. *Perioperative outcomes*

	Lap group	Open group	P-value
Operative time (minutes, mean $\pm$ SD)	213.5 $\pm$ 46.2	163.7 $\pm$ 43.4	<.001*
Blood loss (mL, mean and range)	321.7 (0–3000)	555.6 (0–4720)	.093 [†]
Postoperative analgesic requirement (No. of injections, mean and range)	6.0 (0–47)	11.4 (0–49)	.007 [†]
Visual analogue pain score on postoperative day 1 (mean $\pm$ SD)	4.5 $\pm$ 2.1	4.9 $\pm$ 1.9	.41*
Time first passing flatus (days, mean and range)	3.1 (1–22)	4.6 (1–14)	<.001 [†]
Time of first bowel motion (days, mean and range)	4.3 (1–22)	6.3 (3–14)	<.001 [†]
Time to resume normal diet (days, mean and range)	4.3 (2–25)	5.1 (3–16)	.001 [†]
Time to walk independently (days, mean and range)	4.4 (1–10)	5.9 (2–20)	.005 [†]
Hospital stay (days, mean and range)	10.8 (5–27)	11.5 (5–38)	.55 [†]
Lymph nodes removed (mean $\pm$ SD)	12.4 $\pm$ 6.7	13.0 $\pm$ 7.0	.72*
Direct cost (US\$, mean $\pm$ SD)	9588 $\pm$ 1683	7517 $\pm$ 1693	<.001*

SD, standard deviation.

* *t*-test.

[†] Mann–Whitney *U* test.

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