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Anorectal malformations and the impact of HIV on surgical outcome

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To whom it may concern,

Please find a list of all corrections and additions made on the suggestion of the examiners. Thank you for the opportunity to improve this paper.

List of changes made:

Examiner 1:

- 1) P values added into the results section
 - a. Page 6, paragraph 1, line 3
 - b. Page 8, paragraph, 1 line 1
 - c. Page 8, paragraph 2, line 5
 - d. Page 8, paragraph 3, line 5
- 2) Flow diagram added to help better illustrate results
 - a. Page 4, figure 1
- 3) The small sample size is highlighted but it is also mentioned that this is a representation of a significant hospital sample
 - a. Page 12, paragraph 5, line 5
- 4) The number of cases needed to give a power of prediction was added
 - a. Page 12, paragraph 5, line 3
- 5) Limitations were better more clearly stated and some important exclusions were mentioned
 - a. Page 13, paragraph 1, line 3
- 6) The basic care of a patient with anorectal malformation is mentioned
 - a. Page 1, paragraph 1, Line 8

Examiner 2:

- 1) The follow-up period and its downfalls are stated
 - a. Page 13, paragraph 1, line 9
- 2) The numbers and math were checked and corrected
 - a. Page 5, paragraph 1, line 1
 - b. Page 4, figure 1
- 3) Multiple confounding factors were mentioned.
 - a. Page 13, paragraph 1, line 11

Kind regards,

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