

## Review of: "Free flap harvest from the infraumbilical region for head and neck reconstruction purposes: a retrospective cohort study."

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Congratulations to all researchers for the study. The study shares objective and long-term results. For this reason, I valued the work.

Head and neck region reconstruction is a special procedure, and it challenges surgeons in terms of composite defect reconstruction. Here are some of my suggestions for work:

I suggest adding the word 'Abdominal-based' to the title. Such as Abdominal-based free flap harvest from the infraumbilical region... Many areas can be included in the infra umbilical region; adding the word abdominal based would be appropriate for the clarity of the study.

I think that the photos should be collaged, and the photos of the head and neck reconstruction should be added.

The diagnosis of osteoradionecrosis in 7 cases and osteosarcoma in 1 case and the explanation of how bone defects are reconstructed in composite reconstruction will strengthen the study. At the same time, it will be useful to mention the advantages and disadvantages of bone reconstruction of infraumlical flaps in the discussion.

Abdominal bulging developed in 1 patient. For this, it should be explained whether any treatment is applied, and I think that information should be given in the discussion about possible bulging treatments.

Again, I think that other workhorse flaps and abdominal head flaps used in head and neck reconstruction should be discussed in more detail.

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