

Peer Review File

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Reviewer A

Comment 1: Page 6, line 132: “Twelve years of age has been used as a cutoff in similar Australian studies”, do you mean two years of age?

Reply 1: We were referring to the age brackets in general and this was unclear in our manuscript. We have modified this text to be clearer regarding this.

Changes in text: Page 6, line 141

Comment 2: Page 6, line 144: can you have a definition in the paper of what a PTH is? Is this just oral bleeding or does this include epistaxis from those who also had adenoidectomy? If so, this is also be discussed in the study. If post op epistaxis was not defined on the questionnaire or post-op review, and may have been included in the “PTH” group, then the PTH group may be overestimated, or this can be a limitation of the study methodology

Reply 2: We have now defined PTH as it exists on the patient questionnaire and added this to the manuscript.

Changes in text: Page 5, line 122

Comment 3: Page 6 line 152: “regular Ibuprofen we compared...” should be was

Reply 3: Changed in the manuscript

Changes in text: Page 7, line 161

Comment 4: Page 8 line 184-185 – can you please include here, the actual PTH rates of the studies quoted (ref 8-10)

Reply 4: We have amended this in the manuscript to add the higher rate mentioned in our references.

Changes in text: Page 8, line 193

Comment 5: Page 8 line 188-191 – in this sentence, do you mean that the actual PTH rates are higher than what is reported by the parents/patient due to recall bias? Please make this clearer in this paragraph.

Reply 5: This paragraph has been reconstructed to more clearly underline the principle that we believe our reporting of overall haemorrhage underestimates the real amount of minor haemorrhage due to incorrect patient self-reporting

Changes in text: Page 8, line 197

Comment 6: Page 8 line 203-205 – is this with the monopolar technique alone? This should be made clear in this sentence.

Reply 6: added monopolar to this sentence to clarify
Changes in text: Page 8, line 213

Comment 7: Page 8 line 207 – can authors comment /include the Cochrane database study that shows no significant difference in the use of NSAIDS in PTH in children (2013)?

Reply 7: Added a small statement clarifying this evidence and referencing this paper directly.
Changes in text: Page 9, line 222

Reviewer B

This manuscript is a large case series from a single operator that seeks to give further information regarding one of the most common procedures performed in our field.

I believe that with the large number of cases involved in this series it adequately adds to the available literature and warrants publication.