

Supplemental Digital Content 4. Correlations between anastomotic height and quality of life

Quality of life domains	Total score	Spearman correlation coefficient	<i>p</i> value
	Mean (SD)	<i>r</i>	
Physical functioning	79.0 (23.8)	-0.115	0.004**
Role – physical	70.8 (27.6)	-0.055	0.171
Bodily pain	85.2 (20.5)	-0.081	0.045*
Mental health	77.9 (16.6)	-0.001	0.977
Role – emotional	80.1 (24.6)	-0.011	0.786
Social functioning	82.9 (22.1)	0.002	0.962
Vitality	65.0 (19.6)	-0.033	0.421
General health perceptions	65.5 (18.6)	-0.035	0.383

* Statistical significance of $p < 0.05$

** Statistical significance of $p < 0.005$