A Comparative Study between Universal Eclectic Septoplasty and Cottle

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The original article titled "A Comparative Study Between Universal Eclectic Septoplasty Technique and Cottle", published in October 2017, defended that universal eclectic septoplasty is a reliable surgical method.¹

It was a great pleasure to read this article. However, a discrepancy was noticed. In the introduction section the authors stated that nasal obstruction was the 90th (ninetieth) most frequent complaint reported at medical exams in the United States. Yet, there is no precise reference for this statement in the article.

Nasal obstruction is one of the leading complaints reported in rhinology practice and primary health care.² Thus, we think it is a minor but important mistake to inaccurately rank this frequent symptom. Though its effect on the reasoning of the article is negligible, we believe that this statement can easily misdirect and misinform readers.

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