ABSTRACT

Malnourishment is the scourge of the developing countries like India. Nutrition is important in many physiological processes like wound healing. In patients posted for surgery, their nutritional status plays an important part in the postoperative wound healing and prevention of complications like wound gaping and leakage from anastomosis.

In this study, we try to establish the relation between four nutritional indices and their effect on the postoperative wound healing and thereby the duration of hospital stay.

KEY WORDS

Hypoalbuminemia, Hemoglobin, Lymphocyte count, Body Mass Index