

Table 2: Questions 11 to 20 of the questionnaire used to evaluate the level of the basic knowledge of the Turkish gynecologists regarding electrosurgery; these questions evaluated their knowledge on the basic electrosurgical principles.

Question	Answer	n	%
11. The electrode cable constantly tangles in your hand during surgery. What would you do?	I would proceed with surgery and will not do anything.	55	32.0%
	I would fix the cable using a clamp as shown on above illustration	117	68.0%
12. Return electrodes provide the earth for the electric current.	True	139	81.8%
	False	31	18.2%
13. Which is the most appropriate place for return electrodes during gynecologic surgeries?	Wrist	2	1.2%
	Under shoulder	11	6.4%
	Hip	69	40.4%
	Ankle	20	11.7%
	Thigh	69	40.4%
14. When should the yellow button be pressed to obtain a cutting effect?	Before touching the tissue	104	61.2%
	After touching the tissue	66	38.8%
15. Which wave form is used in bipolar surgery?	Continuous-nonmodulated wave	58	34.9%
	Interrupted-modulated wave	108	65.1%
16. Which of the tissues is more resistant against the electric current?	Fatty tissue	91	53.5%
	Muscle tissue	79	46.5%
17. Dessicated tissue looks black.	True	95	60.5%
	False	62	39.5%
18. Electric current returns to the generator through the return electrode in bipolar surgery.	True	58	35.2%
	False	107	64.8%
19. Which modality should be used in patients with a pacemaker?	Monopolar	17	10.4%
	Bipolar	147	89.6%
20. High-voltage interrupted waveform is used in fulguration.	True	122	76.3%
	False	38	23.8%

n: number of answers, %: percentage of each answer.