**Additional file 1. Questionnaire about the surgical management of severe postpartum haemorrhage.**

1 – What is your sex?

* Male
* Female

2 – How old are you?

3 – What semester of residency are you in?

4 - How many semesters of surgery residency have you done?

5 – If you have completed 7 full semesters, are you sometimes responsible for delivery-room coverage?

* Yes
* No
* Not applicable

6 - How many times would you say you are on-call onsite each month, on average?

7 – How many times would you say you have been on-call onsite in the maternity ward since the beginning of your residentcy?

8 – Is there routinely a fully qualified gynaecologist-obstetrician present in the maternity ward and reachable at all times while you are on call?

* Yes
* No

9 – Do you know the protocol for medical management of postpartum haemorrhage in the delivery room

* completely?
* sufficiently?
* insufficiently?
* not at all?

10 – What descriptive tools did you use to learn the different techniques?

Choose all the responses that apply to you:

* None ("on-the-job training")
* Obstetrics textbook
* Internet
* CD-ROM/DVD
* Journals
* Lecture courses
* Other:

11 – Do you think that it is appropriate to ligate the suspensory ligaments of the ovary to control PPH? Please choose only one answer.

* Yes
* No
* Prefer not to say

12 – Do you consider severe PPH requiring surgical treatment a situation that is in principle

* extremely stressful?
* stressful?
* a little stressful?
* absolutely not stressful?

13 –Do you know the theory of uterine compression suture techniques (B-Lynch or Cho)?

* Yes
* No

14 - In practice, have you already (choose all the responses that apply to you)

* performed it alone?
* performed it with help from a fully qualified specialist?
* seen it performed?
* never seen it performed?

15 – How many times have you performed it alone? (answer only if you answered question 14: "performed it alone").

16 - How many times have you done it with help from a qualified specialist? (answer only if you answered question 14: "performed it with help from a qualified specialist")

17 – How many times have you seen it performed? (answer only if you answered question 14: "seen it performed")

18 – Do you consider that you have mastered this surgical technique

* completely?
* sufficiently?
* insufficiently?
* not at all?

19 – Do you know the theory of the surgical technique for bilateral ligation of the uterine arteries?

* Yes
* No

20 - In practice, have you (choose all the responses that apply to you)

* performed it alone?
* performed it with help from a fully qualified specialist?
* seen it performed?
* never seen it performed?

21 – How many times have you performed it alone? (answer only if you answered question 20: "performed it alone)

22 - How many times have you done it with help from a qualified specialist? (answer only if you answered question 20: "performed it with help from a qualified specialist)

23 – How many times have you seen it performed ? (answer only if you answered question 20: "seen it performed)

24 – Do you consider that you have mastered this surgical technique

* completely?
* sufficiently?
* insufficiently?
* not at all?

25 – Do you know the theory of Tsirulnikov's triple ligation technique?

* Yes
* No

26 - In practice, have you (choose all the responses that apply to you)

* performed it alone?
* performed it with help from a fully qualified specialist?
* seen it performed?
* never seen it performed?

27 – How many times have you performed it alone? (answer only if you answered question 26: "performed it alone)

28 - How many times have you done it with help from a qualified specialist? (answer only if you answered question 26: "performed it with help from a qualified specialist)

29 – How many times have you seen it performed? (answer only if you answered question 26: "seen it performed)

30 – Do you consider that you have mastered this surgical technique

* completely?
* sufficiently?
* insufficiently?
* not at all?

31 – Do you know the theory of the stepwise uterine devascularisation technique?

* Yes
* No

32 - In practice, have you (choose all the responses that apply to you)

* performed it alone?
* performed it with help from a fully qualified specialist?
* seen it performed?
* never seen it performed?

33 – How many times have you performed it alone? (answer only if you answered question 32: "performed it alone)

34 - How many times have you done it with help from a qualified specialist? (answer only if you answered question 32: "performed it with help from a qualified specialist)

35 – How many times have you seen it performed? (answer only if you answered question 32: "seen it performed)

36 – Do you consider that you have mastered this surgical technique

* completely?
* sufficiently?
* insufficiently?
* not at all?

37 – Do you know the theory of the surgical technique of ligation of the uterine arteries?

* Yes
* No

38 - In practice, have you (choose all the responses that apply to you)

* performed it alone?
* performed it with help from a fully qualified specialist?
* seen it performed?
* never seen it performed?

39 – How many times have you performed it alone? (answer only if you answered question 38: "performed it alone)

40 - How many times have you done it with help from a fully qualified specialist? (answer only if you answered question 38: "performed it with help from a qualified specialist)

41 – How many times have you seen it performed? (answer only if you answered question 38: "seen it performed)

42 – Do you consider that you have mastered this surgical technique

* completely?
* sufficiently?
* insufficiently?
* not at all?

43 – Do you know the theory of the surgical technique for hysterectomies?

* Yes
* No

44 - In practice, have you (choose all the responses that apply to you)

* performed it alone?
* performed it with help from a qualified specialist?
* seen it performed?
* never seen it performed?

45 – How many times have you performed it alone? (answer only if you answered question 44: "performed it alone")

46 - How many times have you done it with help from a fully qualified specialist? (answer only if you answered question 44: "performed it with help from a qualified specialist")

47 – How many times have you seen it performed? (answer only if you answered question 44: "seen it performed")

48 – Do you consider that you have mastered this surgical technique

* completely?
* sufficiently?
* insufficiently?
* not at all?

49 – In practice, what surgical technique would you use in first-line treatment? Consider the situation of a young woman, haemodynamically stable, desirous of more children, managed by a multidisciplinary team (surgeon and anaesthesiologist). Please choose only one answer.

* Ligation of the uterine arteries or Tsirulnikov triple ligation or stepwise uterine devascularisation.
* Ligation of the internal iliac arteries.
* Uterine compression suture.
* Hysterectomy.

50 – If that failed, what surgical technique would you use as a second line treatment? Consider the situation of a young woman, haemodynamically stable, desirous of more children, handled by a multidisciplinary team (surgeon and anaesthesiologist)

* Ligation of the uterine arteries or Tsirulnikov triple ligation or stepwise uterine devascularisation.
* Ligation of the internal iliac arteries.
* Uterine compression suture.
* Hysterectomy.
* None, a hysterectomy was already done.

51 – If that failed, what surgical technique would you use as a third-line treatment? Consider the situation of a young woman, haemodynamically stable, desirous of more children, handled by a multidisciplinary team (surgeon and anaesthesiologist)

* Ligation of the uterine arteries or Tsirulnikov triple ligation or stepwise uterine devascularisation.
* Ligation of the internal iliac arteries.
* Uterine compression suture.
* Hysterectomy.
* None, a hysterectomy was already done.