Reviewer's report

Title: Cost analysis of the stroke volume variation guided perioperative hemodynamic optimization - an economic evaluation of the SVVOPT trial results

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Reviewer: Nicola Brienza

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I have no major compulsory revisions. However, the language must be improved. Please anytime you report mean in text and tables, specify SD. Intro. First paragraph. I would rearrange the last two sentences. Second paragraph. In one (study?) the patients were admitted...: please add ref. Methods. Why among non infective complications only heart failure? What about kidney failure, and Gastrointestinal complications?

The question is well defined. Methods are appropriate. Data seem sound. the manuscript adhere to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition the discussion and conclusions are well balanced and adequately supported by the data? limitations of the work are clearly stated? 7. Do the authors clearly acknowledge any work upon which they are building, both published and unpublished? yes 8. Do the title and abstract accurately convey what has been found? yes 9. Is the writing acceptable? it should improved

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

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I declare that I have no competing interests