Reviewer’s report

Title: A Comparison of Balloon Injured Models for Endovascular Fibre based Techniques to Prevent Restenosis

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Comments

I commend the authors on a well written article on a study well conducted.
I However there are a number of points to be considered.
1. Although the titles states that the article relates to endovascular fibre based techniques nowhere in the article do the authors discuss this issue. In this sense the title is misleading.
2. These studies have been done before in the early 80s where the rat carotid has been demonstrated as an appropriate model.
3. No comparison has been made with rabbit or pig vessels which quite commonly used for endovascular procedures and probably more closely mimic human disease.
4. The methodology the authors have used is good. However the discussion certaily needs to include the use of larger animal models

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None declared.