Reviewer's report

**Title:** High APACHE 2 score and long length of bowel resection impair the outcomes in patients with necrotic bowel induced hepatic portal venous gas

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**Reviewer:** Olivier Monneuse

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Major points: all the major points had been corrected.

Minor point: ref 15 should be included with citations of ref 9 and 10 (until now, the single report that investigated the necrotic bowel including hepatic portal venous gas contained less than ten patients).

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

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

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

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.