Reviewer’s report

Title: What are the risk factors of colonoscopic perforation?

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General comments
This is a well designed study. The data were collected prospectively and they were analyzed retrospectively (historical cohort). Indeed the existed data in the literature regarding perforations in colonoscopy are adequate. However data regarding the risk factors associated to colonic perforations are valuable. The paper is well written.

Specific comments
1. Colonoscopic perforation occur more often in women. The authors should mention this point in the Discussion
2. It would be interesting to present the number of snare polypectomies and endoscopic mucosal resection

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests