Reviewer's report

Title: Comparison between bacteremia caused by carbapenem resistant Acinetobacter baumannii and Acinetobacter nosocomialis

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The manuscript is well prepared, but I have two major concerns,

1. nine years is a long time, new antimicrobial resistance mechanisms are constantly being introduced especially to these genetically versatile acinetobacters. Lumping all the carbapenem-resistant isolates together within such long period in one analysis, may not represent the current picture. It would be interesting to see how the incidence rate of CRAB and CRAN varied over period.

2. the importance of species delineation in prescribing treatment as well as predicting clinical outcome in Acinetobacter has been shown by several previous studies as the authors have pointed out. Focusing on carbapenem resistance and see if that may make a difference between two well-known Acinetobacter species in clinical outcome is of limited novelty.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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'