Reviewer's report

Title: Cloxacillin versus Vancomycin for Presumed Late-Onset Sepsis in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and the Impact upon Outcome of Coagulase Negative Staphylococcal Bacteremia: A Retrospective Cohort Study

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Reviewer: Anne Matlow

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General
I have now reviewed the response to the comments previously raised by the 2 reviewers and the revised manuscript. As I am not a statistician I cannot address the disagreement between the authors and reviewer number 1. As such I believe a statistician should review to ensure statistical validity. If acceptable to the statistician, I declare that from my viewpoint the article is acceptable for publication.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

see above

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept without revision

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'