Reviewer’s report

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The authors have responded to my comments properly, but I still have some minor comments:
1. The authors should have a detailed description about the CURB-65.
2. The authors said it seemed the length of hospital stay was longer, intensive care requirement and 30-day mortality was higher in virus positive patients. But there are only few patients in the two groups, so this conclusion is not reasonable.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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.