Reviewer's report

Title: Decompressive laparotomy with temporary abdominal closure versus percutaneous puncture with placement of abdominal catheter in patients with abdominal compartment syndrome during acute pancreatitis: background and design of multicenter, randomised, controlled study

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The authors adequately addressed the questions and concerns. Although I would personally favor to include percutaneous drainage before laparotomy, the strategy proposed can also be considered reasonable.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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