Reviewer's report

Title: The laparoscopic hiatoplasty with antireflux surgery is a safe and effective procedure to repair giant hiatal hernia

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Minor essential revision

In "Patients and Methods" the authors dwell too much on the description of well-standardize procedures. So, I'd shorten the description of oesophageal manometry, esophageal impedance/pH monitoring, multichannel impedance data analysis, bilirubin monitoring and bilirubin data analysis.

In "follow-up assessment" section the authors conclude that 12 months after surgery neo-high pressure zone has a mean-value of 21.2 mmHg, significantly lower than preoperative value. But the preoperative value is 9.3 mmHg so I guess the authors mean neo-high pressure zone has a mean-value of 21.2 mmHg, significantly higher than preoperative value.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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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