Reviewer's report

Title: The Management of Large Perforations of Duodenal Ulcers

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Reviewer: Jyrki JT Mäkelä

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General
The authors have answered adequately to my questions and made nearly all corrections needed. The paper is much more informative in the present form.

Two little corrections are still necessary:
1) In the present form I can accept the use of suturing to the nasogastric tube discussion but in introduction it must be placed accordingly to the end of the sentence: or even suturing of the omentum to the nasogastric tube.
2) Relaparotomy must be carefully considered to decrease the high mortality rate, if peritonitis continues. This must be added to discussion

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

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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)