Reviewer's report

Title: Teaching tracheal intubation: Airtraq is superior to Macintosh laryngoscope

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Discretionary Revisions:
I think that one limitation is, that there is no comparison between patients, which are difficult to intubate. In this case there would be a much higher difference between McIntosh and Airtraq. This underlines the usefulness of the Airtraq.

I think that one conclusion should be that an Airtraq should be available at every place, where a laryngoskop is. Every physician who have to intubate a patient must have the possibility to use an Airtraq.

In times, where we have the Airtraq, an esophageal intubation with McIntosh is very difficult to explain.

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!