Reviewer's report

Title: Early Noninvasive Ventilation for Acute Respiratory Failure in Immunocompromized Patients: Study protocol for a multicenter Randomized Controlled Trial (IVNIctus)

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Reviewer: Massimo Antonelli

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The reviewer thanks the investigators for the explanations on some critical points of the study. The changes made added clarity to the protocol.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests: 

no competing interest