Reviewer’s report

Title: Perioperative complications in infant cleft repair

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This is an interesting article which deals with clinical problems in the management of cleft surgery. The manuscript describes in a large series of 174 cases anaesthesiological - and surgical complication rates in cleft surgery.

In material and method: The authors should include the clinical setting / the anaesthetic protocol.

In results: The measurement of blood loss should be better described in millilitre rather than grams.

Acceptable quality of written English

Accept after minor revisions

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

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.