Reviewer's report

Title: Cox-Maze III procedure with valvular surgery in an autopneumonectomized patient

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- why femoral artery and vein cannulation, I usually never prefer this cannulation, aortic and atrial cannulation doesn't disturb surgery.

- Preoperative and peroperative data are not detailed (LA diameter, howlong she is AF, why Alfieri repair is preferred, TEE used or not, X-clamp and perfusion time is so long, postoperatively what was the rythym, does she always in sinus or not, medication during postoperative period.

- Left thoracotomy approach for left atrium is very rarely used
  - why interatrial septum is opened,
  - why cryoablation is preferred and other alternative energy sources are not.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable