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Discretionary Revisions:

Although never clearly stated the author implies that the control group "standard surgical technique" did not contain any form of lung sealant. It is imperative that the reader understand that the pleural sealant group (PSG) is ProGel sealant vs control group (no form of any pleural sealant utilized). Minor clarification will eliminate any confusion that one may infer that the control group "standard surgical technique" may have included other forms of lung sealants.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest 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