Reviewer's report

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Reviewer: Orlando Petrucci

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The authors answered all questions and concerns about their manuscript. Despite all performed answers, they insist on keeping the manuscript with no control group. They explained that a control group (minimally or conventional AVR) would create a bias for group comparisons.

Level of interest: Reject as not of sufficient priority to merit publishing in this journal

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