Reviewer’s report

Title: Effects of sevoflurane and propofol on the development of pneumonia after esophagectomy: a retrospective cohort study

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I do not understand why to perform the analysis without propensity score matching COPD and preoperative pulmonary infections has not been considered in the comorbidities it were not considered the type of neuromuscolar blockers and reversal the type of ventilation used during the intraoperative period has not been clear (low vs high tidal volume, OLV etc) it was not evaluate the use of NIV in the postoperative period

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