Reviewer’s report

Title: Using four different clinical tools as predictors for pain after total hip arthroplasty. A prospective cohort study

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The authors aimed to predict patients with higher postoperative pain levels by using simple clinical tools such as pain intensity by peripheral venous cannulation, PACU nurses' prediction of patients' pain level, maximum NRS pain at the PACU and patients own forecast of postoperative pain levels in this prospective cohort study in THA patients. They found that none of the tools predicted postoperative pain at 24h after surgery. The aim of this study was clinically relevant and the study was well designed. Minor comments: P12. Line 42-51 should be deleted, as nonsignificant difference should not be addressed.

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