Reviewer’s report

Title: The importance of increased awareness for delirium in elderly patients with rib fractures after blunt chest wall trauma: a retrospective cohort study on risk factors and outcomes

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Much improved thank you

Just one minor comment

Methods: Why did you choose patients older than 65years? - I understand your rationale, and thank you for the explanation - but this should also be supported by the evidence - ie, increased risk of complications following rib fractures in the patient group is well known

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