Reviewer’s report

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The paper has been somewhat improved. I am skeptical about the diagnostic value of serum procalcitonin (PCT) in detection of SBP. In this study sensitivity of PCT was about 60% (rather poor) but was enhanced by WBC/PLRT ratio. It is still unknown what authors mean by early SBP.