Reviewer’s report

Title: Intra-abdominal pressure in third trimester pregnancy complicated by acute pancreatitis: an observational study

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Minor Essential Revisions

The data presented in this manuscript was very valuable and it is also fairly well written. However, there are still several concerns:

1. Prepregnant maternal body weight, gestational weight gain, or body weight at delivery would be an important factor related to intra-abdominal pressure. At the late stage of pregnancy, fetus weight can also play a role in IPA. Moreover, both of the factors also are associated with pregnancy outcomes. Therefore, adjusted the conclusion with such information would be optimal.

2. The statistical method for correlation was not mentioned in the method part, however, the figure 1 presented in the manuscript was not correlation analysis, it is student t test for two groups comparison.

3. Table 1 is not necessary as the definition of grading can be put in the main text.

4. Add perinatal outcome (live or still or death..) in table 3 would be much useful for quick risk assessment.

5. Line 158, the r value miss a point.

6. Line 191, “were” should be deleted.

7. Line 226, “regrettable” is usually not use for academic writing, “unfortunately” would be more proper here.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interest