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In conclusion of this article is well described, the subxiphoid thoracoscopic approach is only an alternative to VATS. It should emphasize, the subxiphoid method require longer operating time and more cardiac complications in expert hands nowadays. I believe this new route can be applied only in minority of pneumothorax indication, because the advantage is not defined to the VATS. However this study opens an other possible alternative way to management of pneumothorax by surgery.

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