Reviewer's report

Title: Del Nido Cardioplegia Can be Safely Administered in High-Risk Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting Surgery After Acute Myocardial Infarction: A Propensity Matched Comparison

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Major Compulsory Revisions:
None

Minor Essential Revisions
1) The authors have provided excellent data as regards the use of Del Nido solution for CABG after MI. According to table 1, there appear to be only minor differences between Del Nido and whole blood. Could the authors discuss potential reasons why Del Nido may be superior with, what appear to be, small differences in formulation?

2) One reason for a shortened cross clamp and procedure time was the supposed lack of need to redose the cardioplegia. Did the authors ever try to dose whole blood cardioplegia with using the same dosing schedule they use when Del Nido solution is used?

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:
I have no competing interests