Reviewer’s report

Title: Straight-Median versus S-Shaped Sternotomy: A Histological Study in the Sheep Model

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I reviewed the paper related to straight median versus S-shaped sternotomy. The paper is very comprehensive experimentel study. I congratulate to the authors for their successfull study.

Sternal stability is very vitally important for cardiac surgery patients. This new method is a good alternative for sternal healing and stability.

I recommend the paper for the publication.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.