Reviewer’s report

Title: Changes in the levels of inflammatory markers after transthoracic device closure of ventricular septal defects in pediatric patients

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"First of all I would like to congratulate the authors for their unique thinking, they have taken a step to evaluate the inflammation and SIRS postoperatively by comparing both conventional surgery and transthoracic device closure of VSD. Their results are enough to bring more caution into practice for a widely practiced technique in China to close VSD. I find their study adding to my knowledge and providing awareness about the possibility of SIRS. I would suggest authors to reconsider the sentence structure due to some minor grammatical mistakes. Although there was no significant difference between the groups by means of inflammation, but a clear message has been received."

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