Reviewer’s report

Title: National Survey of Enhanced Recovery After Thoracic Surgery Practice in the United Kingdom and Ireland

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1. This study is an online survey of multi-centers in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Targeting at lobectomy, doctors and nurses in each department of the cardiothoracic surgery, according to the contents of the ERAS questionnaire, see the actual implementation and recommendations of each center as to whether to modify ERAS for more suitable for clinical needs.
2. The research design of this study is rigorous, the data statistics are logical, and it took a lot of effort. The conclusions belong to the results of multiple centers, and the results have sufficient reference value.
3. However, this study involves the collection of clinical data from patients in each center. Whether a common IRB should be signed is based on research ethics. From the article, whether or not each center uses ERAS cannot be confirmed as a prospective or retrospective investigation, so it cannot be said whether the use or implantation of ERAS can reflect the actual situation.
4. There has been some literature that could be surveyed in the 2018-2019 PubMed on the effectiveness of care using ERAS as lobectomy, which can be provided for reference, and a short description and discussion are also recommended.
5. Although many studies are currently discussing the effectiveness of ERAS in different procedures, the conclusions of this study can be used as a guideline for revision. If it can be designed as a prospective study, it should be more valuable.

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