Reviewer’s report

Title: Extended use of Extra Corporeal Membrane Oxygenation as Bridge to lung transplantation in two patients

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Authors presented two cases of patients who were on ECMO more than 200 days and underwent lung transplantation. One case survived after lung transplantation. However, one case died intraoperatively because of bleeding.

I have the following concerns.

1. The cause of intraoperative death was not related to ECMO. It was related to fibrotic scar tissue. It is not reasonable for the authors to conclude that they should turn down for lung transplantation for similar patients.

2. Patients on ECMO are very higher risk for lung transplantation and have various background. It is difficult to standardize the patients’ background.

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