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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

1. Authors should add to the limitations section the fact that they included only articles published in English. 2. Please provide grading of evidence (GRADE). 3. Did the authors assess any "hard" outcomes, such as in-hospital death or post-operative respiratory tract infections? Were such outcomes reported across the selected trials. Please elucidate. 4. Overall, the manuscript is interesting, well-designed and well-written.

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This manuscript was prepared very well, congratulations to authors. The introduction section justifies the purpose of the study. Also, the study design and methods used, are appropriate. However, there are some points, that needs to be adresseded. Introduction

- Why have you focused on perioperative RMT Interventions? What makes them different from pre-habilitation interventions? clarify this issue
- What are the potential benefits of perioperative RMT in patients receiving lung surgery?
- Can it be applied to different types of lung surgery?
- Are there any contraindications? What are they?

Materials and Methods

- Inclusion criteria and exclusion criteria: any exclusion criteria? If not, consider to revise the subchapter title Results
- Consider including information on the origin of the studies

Discussion

- Although there is an excellent description of the studies and description of the results, possible mechanisms related to the results described in the manuscript could be added. In addition, a brief comparative discussion of the differences between studies could be added
- What is new about perioperative RMT in patients after lung surgery in this manuscript?
- Could a general perioperative RMT protocol be established to achieve the positive results it shows?
- What impacts did covid-19 have on this area? Consider adding a short discussion on this topic,
- In addition, is it possible to use the telehealth or digital health (mHealth) approach in perioperative interventions in patients after lung surgery? adding a future perspective on this content (if any) could be very interesting for reades

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