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Scientific quality	[] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Very good [] Grade C: Good [] Grade D: Fair [] Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	[] Grade A: Priority publishing [Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[] Accept (High priority) [] Accept (General priority) [Y] Minor revision [] Major revision [] Rejection
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a retrospective study focusing on anastomotic leakage in rectal cancer surgery. Only single-factor vas used in the manuscript. Multi-factor analysis is suggested.



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