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<b>Conclusion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

There are no tables in the manuscript file. Comprehensive evaluation could not be done due to missing tables and hence data. How many surgeons are operated and inter-operator variability, if any, can be specified.



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- "one patient in NC-LTG died because of septic shock four days after surgery" Which was the focus of the sepsis? Anastomotic leakage is different than a pneumonia for the audience - the study is well designed and written but to my eyes this does not overcome the main limitations that you also describe (retrospective, single center)



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the manuscript is well written, needs only minor language revision. The subject is very interesting and well argued. there are only minor revisions required for the tables: Table 6 p value in the same line net to CI In the table I would delete the statistic value, if you want to keep it, at least explain in material and methods how you computed it