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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

There are problems to be discussed in this paper 1-small number of patients 2-there is no confirmation of reduction of ongoing necrosis in EA group 3-There are no data about fluid administration on both group.If EA induces hypotension its possible that the EA group received more fluid ? 4-The beneficial effect of EA could be related to increased intestinal perfusion and therefore reducing intestinal barrier dysfunction?



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1. The title describe well the manuscript 2. The abstract summarized well the manuscript 3. Description of method are clear 4. Results are reported well 5. Discussion is well organized 6. References are well reported 7. Tables and Figures are clear 8. One final word is about the term "severe AP (acute pancreatitis) in this manuscript; 3 lines in the abstract 3 pages, 3 lines in the methods 16 pages, 19 lines in the results 10 pages, 23 lines in the Discussion 14 pages. Authors defined severe AP as a Ranson score ≥ 2 and/or a C-reactive protein (CRP) > 100 mg/L and/or necrosis on CT. This is not correct according to the Atlanta classification as well as the Revised Atlanta classification. So, I would recommend that "severe AP" should be changed to "predicted severe AP".