

Reviewer #1:

Specific Comments to Authors: This is an interesting study of closed thoracic drainage in elderly patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease complicated with spontaneous pneumothorax. The study is well designed and the findings are well discussed. Comments: 1. A short background should be added to the abstract. 2. Some minor language polishing should be revised. 3. References should be updated with PMID numbers.

Response to Comments 1: Thank you for your valuable feedback on our research paper. We thank you for your comments and added a brief background. We provide a certificate of polish for the article. We adjusted the format of references.

Reviewer #2:

Specific Comments to Authors: It is simple to misdiagnose this condition as an acute COPD exacerbation; without timely treatment, respiratory failure may worsen, ultimately increasing the mortality risk. In this study, a retrospective analysis was conducted on the clinical information of elderly patients with COPD complicated by spontaneous pneumothorax. This study is overall well performed. The results are interesting. The reviewer recommends to accept it after a language editing.

Response to Comments 2: Thank you for your valuable feedback on our research paper. We thank you for your comments and provide us with a certificate of embellishment of the article.

We eagerly anticipate the final decision and next steps. Please do not hesitate to contact me should there be any further clarifications or discussions needed. Once again, thank you for your patience and professionalism.

With best regards!

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