Fig. 1

Assessed for eligibility (n=92)

Enrolled in the study (n=84)

Excluded
  · Declined to participate (n=8)

Excluded
  · Discontinued the study (n=10)
  · Getting rehabilitation (n=13)
  · Cancelled esophagectomy (n=2)

Analyzed (n=59)
Fig. 2

[Graph showing tongue pressure (kPa) with baseline and 2 weeks postoperatively.]