

Reviewer 506178

(Comments)

Thank you for allowing me to review the manuscript " Awareness during anesthesia current status in Japan". This manuscript is interesting, however I am not sure that a direct cause-effect relationship between use of remifentanil and awareness can be established. I would recommend this issue to be addressed before publishing the manuscript.

Reply: Thank you very much for reviewing my manuscript.

The issue the reviewer's mentioned is very important. However, I do not have the data about anesthetics used before remifentanil was used in Japan. Therefore, the relationship between use of remifentanil and awareness is only my speculation. Further discussion is difficult.

Reviewer 503175

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Article "Awareness during anesthesia: current status in Japan" by Yasuhiro Morimoto is very interesting but before publication need some major revisions.

Suggestions: 1. In the abstract is missing first sentence as introduction to the article (aim of the article). Also in the introduction are words TIVA and BIS without explanations.

(Reply)

I revised the manuscript according to the reviewer's comments.

The revision was highlighted by red color.

2. Author cited one manuscript but without reference (Manyam et al).

(Reply)

I added the reference.

3. The main challenge of this article is its structure. According to me the organisation of the manuscript is not properly and chapters Patients and Methods, Results and Discussion are missing. In the section Patients and Methods author must explained how he selected the participants, what are their characteristics, write exact questions in the survey, how they followed the participants ... Also the Ethical permission is missing. What statistics author used? In the Results author must explain the results: first survey, second survey and third survey. In the Discussion author must discussed and compare results.

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The manuscript is a review from my continuous three surveys. I think separating the chapters is not appropriate for this manuscript.

4. Author must write exact number of tables with number not Table but Table 1.

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I revised the table according to the reviewer's comment.

Reviewer 2486704

(Comments)

The author conducted three separate questionnaire surveys of anesthesiologists from 2008 through 2011 to assess awareness during anesthesia in Japan. This topic is very interesting and important. However, the text needs substantial revision, especially for the language, before for possible publication in the World Journal of Anesthesiology.

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The manuscript is checked by English native speaker before submitting. I attached the certification of the language check.