

Answering Reviewers

Dear Dr. Mihnea-Alexandru Găman,

On behalf of my co-authors, We are very grateful for your hard work and your appreciation of our manuscript entitled “**Etomidate versus propofol in coronary heart disease patients undergoing major noncardiac surgery: randomized clinical trial**” (Manuscript ID:60689).

We have read your suggestions carefully and made the following sincere responses:

1. Did you take into consideration that ethnicity/race might play a role in your results? As compared to the available literature, did you observe any differences between Asian and Caucasian, Afro-American patients etc.? Are there any genetic factors influencing the pharmacology of these anesthetic drugs?.

Response: Given that this was a single-centre study, ethnicity/race and genetic factors were not included in the analysis of this study. And we believe that the clinical effects of Etomidate show no significant difference between patients of different races, according to other published studies. To ensure academic rigour, a global multi-centre study may be needed to confirm this idea.

2. The authors should prepare a graphical abstract for the paper or some colourful figures to attract readers.

Response: According to the requirements of journal, the abstract have fixed writing standards. If it is possible, we will try to get permission from the journal to add a graphical abstract or some colourful figures to attract readers.

We would like to express our great appreciation to you and look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you and best regards!

Yours sincerely,

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