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| Conclusion | [] Accept (High priority) [Y] Accept (General priority) [] Minor revision [] Major revision [] Rejection |
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this manuscript, the authors elaborated the pathophysiological mechanisms and main measures of mitochondrial dysfunction in sepsis and explored mitochondria as potential biomarkers for prognosis of sepsis and their relationship with organ failure. The manuscript was well organized and its content was detailed, however, there are some issues should be addressed. 1.Excessive induction of autophagy can lead to apoptosis. Some signaling pathways in autophagy process are related to ROS, and it would be better if the specific pathways could be described in detail. 2.Many inflammatory mediators contribute to changes in mitochondrial metabolism, and several typical mediators, such as interleukin, can be cited. The content is more convincing. 3. It is still necessary to determine the most practical measurement methods as well as clinical applicability.



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This review is reasonably synthesized, but several aspects require further improvements. 1. It is suggested to add subheadings to the part of "MEASUREMENT OF MITOCHONDRIAL DYSFUNCTION" to make the article more organized. 2. The content of the potential methods for assessing mitochondrial metabolism in the intensive care settings is less. Please continue to consult the relevant to enrich the content. 3. Authors are encouraged to present figure 1 and figure 2 in colour.