

Reviewers 1: Well written manuscript. There are few grammar issues. Need to be reviewed by statistician.

Answer: The format has been updated and the Non-Native Speakers of English Editing Certificate has been obtained again.

Reviewers 1: This is a very well written review on a controversial yet still in focus problem in sepsis: heart failure and its impact on the overall outcome of patients. Strong points of the manuscript: - The study has been registered in PROSPERO - The PRISMA checklist is provided and in a very clear form - The literature research is wide enough to sustain the conclusions (10 studies, 18 000 records, 35 712 patients) - The statistical analysis is very well described, along with the software used. - The number of cited papers is suitable for discussions and so are the references included in the Introduction section. Also, the majority of papers are newer than 5 years. - The limitations have been thoroughly explained

Answer: Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

- (1). The title has been changed to " Impact of heart failure on outcomes in patients with sepsis: A systematic review and meta-analysis";
- (2). Article highlights were added;
- (3). References are formatted according to the Format for References Guidelines;
- (4). The figures and tables have been organized into PowerPoint files.