

Dear Sir or Madam:

12th November 2016

Re: Revision to Manuscript 29748 - Clinical Characteristics and Outcomes of Octogenarians Presenting with ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction in the Australian Population

We would like to submit our revised manuscript according to the peer-reviewers comments. The revisions are highlighted in red in the updated version of the manuscript.

Below are the changes made to our manuscript according to the peer-reviewers suggestions:

1) Reviewer 00060494

- i) Changes are made in the 'Methods' section of the article, confirming that all co-morbidities were obtained through electronic medical records. The Charlson Co-morbidity Index was then calculated using these information.
- ii) The description in section '3. Invasive treatment appears beneficial' is corrected to better represent the findings of the study
- iii) Typing error is corrected in section '2. PCI vs Conservatively managed octogenarians '

2) Reviewer 02453249

- i) Changes are made in the Introduction section of the manuscript to better represent the aim of our study, which is to evaluate the characteristics and outcome of octogenarians presenting with STEMI, as well as the outcomes of those octogenarians who received primary PCI, compared to the octogenarians who did not.

3) Reviewer 00214291

- i) No changes were made but we appreciate the reviewers compliment

4) Reviewer 00227531

- i) No changes were made but we appreciate that the low numbers is a limitation of our study. As highlighted in section '4. Limitations', ideally we would like to perform a larger study with with propensity score matching to assess the effect of primary PCI on the elderly.

Thanks.

With regards,

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