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## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Novelty of this manuscript	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No novelty
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<b>Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: No scientific significance
<b>Language quality</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
<b>Conclusion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
<b>Re-review</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Peer-reviewer statements</b>	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
	Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The letter to the editor, 'The Importance of Well-Designed Meta-Analyses in Assessing Medical and Surgical Treatments,' presents an intriguing and coherent idea. Meta-analyses are a tool that enables the consolidation of results and the creation of much more robust study models. However, the author could delve deeper into what constitutes the elements that allow for the creation of a robust meta-analysis, distinguishing them from unreliable ones. Furthermore, it would be advisable for the author to consider including an opinion on the commonly used PRISMA guidelines (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses) in the development of meta-analyses. Kind regards.



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This is a well written editorial summarizing the general pros and cons on the use of meta-analysis in medical research. I recommend to be accepted for publication.