

Answering Reviewers

(1) Reviewer #1

Comment: Recent studies have revealed that sustained ingesting angiotensin converting enzymes inhibitors or angiotensin receptor blockers (ACEIs/ ARBs) had no harmful effects on COVID-19 patients complicated with hypertension. However, the impact of discontinue using ACEIs/ ARBs in those patients still unclearly. Nonetheless, the authors believe that ACEIs/ARBs should be continued in patients with both COVID-19 and hypertension unless further evidence demonstrates adverse outcomes. Overall, the study is very well designed and the results are very interesting. The sample size is enough and methods are very clear. Discussion is good. I have a minor comment, the format of tables should be edited according to the standard format.

Response: We have revised the tables according to the standard table format.

(2) Reviewer #2:

Comment: Extremely interesting paper who investigate the impact on COVID-19 patients complicated with hypertension who discontinue using ACEIs/ARBs. Patients in discontinued ACEIs/ARBs group have longer hospital stays. This study suggests that COVID-19 patients complicated with hypertension should continue to use ACEIs/ARBs. Excellent paper. I have no other recommendations for improvement.