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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The manuscript intends to show the incidence and estimate the risk of QT interval prolongation in patients who underwent conventional treatment (hydroxychloroquine alone or combined with azithromycin) for Covid-19. The authors have successfully elucidated the above points. It is well written and organized paper. Figures and tables are helpful and comprehensive. The study is exciting and essential and concludes that a significant change in QTc interval after the use of hydroxychloroquine alone or in combination with azithromycin can be life-threatening. The methods used for this review are appropriate, and the data supports the conclusion. The manuscript may be accepted for publication in the journal.