

## Response to reviewers

We would like to thank the Editor in chief for his positive evaluation of our work and for the opportunity to resubmit a revised version of our manuscript.

We also wish to sincerely thank the reviewers for their constructive criticism and suggestions that, we believe, have allowed us to improve the quality of our work.

In the present document, we have revised English language. A certificate will be provided in the attached files.

### Reviewer #1:

**Scientific Quality:** Grade B (Very good)

**Language Quality:** Grade A (Priority publishing)

**Conclusion:** Accept (High priority)

**Specific Comments to Authors:** The manuscript deals with important clinical problem, which is optimizing accessibility of peritoneal dialysis, a method considered as complementary to hemodialysis in chronic renal failure. The uniqueness of proposed method lies in creating short musculofastial tunnel in the course of PD catheter implantation. The article deals with material gathered over 2 year period consisting of 115 cases of no tunneled catheter implantation and 107 cases of tunneled catheter implantation. From clinical perspective significant advantage of the proposed method lies in lesser deviation of catheter angle toward the pelvis with smaller number of catheter tip migration and in consequence catheter disfunction in the tunneled group in comparison to no tunnel group. Manuscript is highly valuable in regards to clinical practice, thanks to modern methods used in statistical analysis. It is also very well researched - the authors reference the very first publication on this subject from year 1981. It is also worth noting that the manuscript under review is a first since 1981 to study this subject with such thoroughness, which makes it a very important read. In conclusion, it's a very comprehensive and valuable article, as well as a pleasant read, thanks to authors high literary competency.

### Reviewer #2:

**Scientific Quality:** Grade B (Very good)

**Language Quality:** Grade B (Minor language polishing)

**Conclusion:** Accept (General priority)

**Specific Comments to Authors:** The author resent a simple add-on procedure to the traditional open surgery method of peritoneal dialysis catheter implantation. Their method does not need an additional incision, suture, or change of surgical site. This method is the same as the one being carried out by our center. This simple modification helps to maintain the catheter in the expected orientation, which will increase the efficacy of dialysis.