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RE: Manuscript 64472, World Journal of Critical Care Medicine

Dear Professor Ma,

I write to you as corresponding author on behalf of the authors of this manuscript Mr Liam Finlay, Dr Andrew Conway Morris, A/Prof Adam Deane and myself.

This statement is to confirm that no statistical analysis was performed in preparation of our work entitled *Neutrophil kinetics and function after major trauma: a review.* The manuscript is a review of the current literature on neutrophil dysfunction after major trauma without meta-analysis and as such no biostatistical input was required.

Many thanks for your acceptance of our work.

Kind regards,

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