

## ESPS PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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| CLASSIFICATION   | LANGUAGE EVALUATION  | SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT                          | CONCLUSION   |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing     | Google Search:                                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good            | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing           | <input type="checkbox"/> The same title        | <input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing | <input type="checkbox"/> Duplicate publication | <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejected                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plagiarism | <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision                |
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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript is well conceived and indicates that lactate is a valuable biomarker in the treatment of critically ill cancer patients with septic shock caused by Acinetobacter baumannii infection and thereby the importance of providing ICU treatment.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing  | <input type="checkbox"/> Plagiarism            | <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection                                |
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The manuscript by Namendys-Silva et al. showed high mortality rate in critically ill patients with both hematological malignancies and *Acinetobacter baumannii* infection and found that the most associated factor with the mortality was a high blood lactate level ( $\geq 2.6$  mmol/L) in the first 24 hours of ICU admission. The paper is informative and basically well written. But, the manuscript has some room to be improved. First of all, add page numbers. It is difficult to comment without page numbers. At the end of the manuscript, authors wrote that "There have been no reported new cases of AB infections in the last 5 months (2013) in our ICU." I am curious about the situation after the period (2014). Describe it. Abstract: "lactate" should be "blood lactate level" through manuscript. Keywords: "*Acinetobacter baumannii*" should be italicized. Running title: add "infected" before "with". Tables and figures should be located after References. Each table and figure should be in one page.

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This is a retrospective review of factors influencing survival of patients infected with *Acinetobacter*. Hematologic malignancy, serum lactate and multi-organ failure are identified as important factors. The paper is well written and may have prognostic value.