

## **Responses to reviewer:**

Reviewer #1:

### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Thank you for inviting me to review this interesting study. The authors conducted this study, to better understand the underlying pathogenesis of COVID-19 deceased patients, identify these patients as early as possible, guide clinical treatment regimens, and thus improve the clinical outcomes. Overall this study is very interesting, and the study is well performed. The study is worthy to publication. A minor language polishing should be corrected.

**Response:** Thanks for your valuable review and thoughtful suggestion. The article has been polished by English professionals before it was cast. At the same time, we have provided the polishing proof when submission.

Reviewer #2:

### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is an interesting study about the demographic features and laboratory parameters of COVID-19 deceased patients comparing with those of surviving severe and critically ill cases. The study is well designed and the results are very interesting. Data in tables are good. Also, the results are well discussed. In my opinion, this study can be accepted for publication after a minor editing.

**Response:** Thanks for your valuable review and thoughtful suggestion.

Thank you again for your affirmation of this article.