

June 11th, 2021 To the Editor of World Journal of Critical Care Medicine

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Role of bronchoscopy in critically ill patients managed in intermediate care units: indications and complications. A narrative review

Dear Sir,

Thank you for the opportunity to improve our paper. Please find below our answers to Reviewer's comments.

Reviewer(s)' Comments to Author:

3 SCIENTIFIC QUALITY

Reviewer #1:

Scientific Quality: Grade C (Good)

Language Quality: Grade B (Minor language polishing)

Conclusion: Minor revision

Specific Comments to Authors: The author have done narrative review regarding the use of bronchoscopy in critical ill patients. My comments are 1. In the Introduction, the author stated the review discussed the role in intermediate care? this one not related to the title.

According to this suggestion, we have changed the title:

“Role of bronchoscopy in critically ill patients managed in intermediate care units: indications and complications. A narrative review”

2. The role of bronchoscopy in COVID-19 hospitalized with moderate disease should be discussed.

We thank the reviewer for having raised this point. Accordingly, we have added at page 12 on line 19 “with moderate disease” and at page 12 on line 25 and at page 13 on lines 1-4 the following:

“In particular, patients with moderate disease who underwent FB for a suspected SARS-CoV-2 infection presented a higher number of CT alterations than patients with other indications. Moreover, in the case of moderate disease, patients frequently underwent FB several days after the development of symptoms. Therefore, the viral load, and consequently the BAL diagnostic rate, decrease gradually from symptom onset.” (in red in the text).

4 LANGUAGE QUALITY

Please resolve all language issues in the manuscript based on the peer review report. Please be sure to have a native-English speaker edit the manuscript for grammar, sentence structure, word usage, spelling, capitalization, punctuation, format, and general readability, so that the manuscript’s language will meet our direct publishing needs.

As you suggested, a profound language revision has been done.

6 EDITORIAL OFFICE’S COMMENTS

(1) Science editor:.... 3 Academic norms and rules: The authors did not provided Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Form.

We attached our Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Form.

5. Issues raised: (1) The language classification is Grade C. Please visit the following website for the professional English language editing companies that we recommend:

<https://www.wjgnet.com/bpg/gerinfo/240>

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(2) All the authors and Institutions should be list according to Guidelines for Manuscript Preparation and Submission: Review.

We have checked the list of all authors and Institutions. Thank you.

(3) The “Author Contributions” section is missing. Please provide the author contributions.

We provided the “Author Contributions” section. Thank you.

Now a redlined version of the revised text appears in the Automatically Generate Full Text File.

Thank you.

Hoping you will consider our revised paper for publication,

kind regards,

Dr. Vincenzo G Menditto