

Reviewer 1:

C1) Dear Dr I did not see any innovation in the manuscript

R1) We thank you for the comment. Our manuscript did not imply innovative technology. Rather, we set out to review the currently available sedatives for endotracheal intubation in the ICU. We did remove the word “novel” when discussing ketamine-propofol admixture and replaced it with the word “unique”.

Reviewer 2:

C1) A nice mini-review, discussing the regimens that are available for sedation in the setting of endotracheal intubation. The review expertly highlights facts regarding well-known drugs and effectively inserts the new combination of propofol - ketamine in the discussion of the most effective and safe sedation regimens in this specific setting.

R1) We thank you for the comment.

Science editor:

C1) Self-cited references: There are 6 self-cited references. The self-referencing rates should be less than 10%. Please keep the reasonable self-citations (i.e. those that are most closely related to the topic of the manuscript) and remove all other improper self-citations. If the authors fail to address the critical issue of self-citation, the editing process of this manuscript will be terminated.

R1) We thank you for the comment. We have removed three references from the six total to arrive at <10% self-citation.

C2) Issues raised: The authors did not provide original pictures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor

R2) We thank you for the comment. We have edited the figure in PowerPoint and have provided the PowerPoint version separate from the word document.