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Dear Editor,

Enclosed please find 1 copie of a manuscript titled Age, neurological injury, and prolonged acute respiratory failure are the most important factors for physical functional status long-term after critical illness: a prospective, longitudinal, multicenter trial, for consideration for publication in BMC Public Health. The author hereby confirms that neither the manuscript nor any part of it has been published or is being considered for publication elsewhere. By signing this letter each of us acknowledges that I participated sufficiently in the work to take public responsibility for its content.

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Very sincerely yours,

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