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Dear Dr Rowles,
	hank you for the opportunity to revise our submission. Because consent to publish could unfortunately not be obtained from all patients included in this retrospective analysis with high mortality, we have now removed those three tables with details on baseline clinical status and plasma exchange that might potentially identify the participating individuals. Should the reviewers want to see these data, we would be happy to provide them as complementary information.

We hope that our manuscript now conforms with the ethical guidelines of BMC Anesthesiology and are looking forward to the reviewers’ response. If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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