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Dear reviewers,

Thank you for your thoughtful review of our manuscript. We take your concerns seriously and have addressed them to the best our abilities. We asked from one of our English literature academic staff to edit the manuscript. We address your comments, point by point in green font as follow:

1- Although our study had been designed for the description of the efficacy of the anesthesiology curriculum; ethical approval was nevertheless acquired for this study. The anesthesiology curriculum had been approved by our university for emergency residents during their residency program, which they were obliged to attend. The patients presented to operating room for elective ophthalmic surgery were aware that they were attending a teaching hospital where they were willing participants in a medical study. Since Nikookari hospital, is a teaching hospital, the patients signed a written consent before admission with an understanding that there would be students working on their cases as part of an ongoing experiment.

2- The most important places for anesthetic training should be the wards, the operating theatres and the intensive care units, not the classrooms and the libraries. Good anesthesia teachers should combine enthusiasm, a willingness to teach and an "inquiring" approach. Although trainees have an opportunity to develop specific learning objectives for airway management during their period in the skills lab and operating room, our research let’s them focus on two of the most important skills, 1- Bag mask ventilation and 2- orotracheal intubation. Airway management training is a continuous process that should begin with theoretical instruction, continue in the skills lab and operating theatre and end in the ED. All of the above mentioned steps should be supervised by an attending anesthesiologist and/or EM.

Looking to hear from you

Best regads

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