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Dear editor:

Please find attached a revised version of our manuscript “Isoflurane Preconditioning at Clinically Relevant Doses Induce Protective Effects of Heme oxygenase-1 on Hepatic Ischemia Reperfusion in Rats”, which we would like to resubmit for publication in *BMC gastroenterology*.

We thank you again for your hard work and valuable advices. During the revision process, we edited the language of the manuscript with the help of a native English anesthesiologist. Moreover, due to the inappropriate display scale and undesirable quality of the primary figures, some figures of hepatic histology (figures of IR, Znpp/ISO and Znpp group in Figure 2) were replaced by more typical ones within groups.

Besides, it is technically difficult to measure TNF alpha mRNA in serum, because there were no parenchymal cell inside. We preferred not present the mRNA level of TNF alpha in serum, as it was not necessary since mRNA of TNF alpha in liver was assessed already.

We really hope that the revisions in the manuscript and our accompanying responses will be sufficient to make our manuscript suitable for publication in Anesthesiology.

We shall look forward to hearing from you in your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

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