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We submit the enclosed manuscript which title is “Diagnostic and Prognostic Utilities of Multimarkers Approach Using Procalcitonin, B-type Natriuretic Peptide and Neutrophil Gelatinase-associated Lipocalin, in Critically Ill Patients With Suspected Sepsis” for consideration by BMC Infectious Diseases. The Authors think the manuscript will be suitable for BMC Infectious Diseases because it could add new information on diagnosis of septic process by means of biomarkers.

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On the basis of your indications we corrected the manuscript as follows:

- The names of the two Hospitals were added (rows 82,83),
- A paragraph with the explanations about ethical committees of the two Hospitals and about the written consent by patients was added in the Materials and Methods - Study Population section (rows from 87 to 94),
- The abbreviations of the names of the two Hospitals were added to the list of abbreviations section (row 246).

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