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Re: BMC Infect Dis, Manuscript ID 8729919201559892, Mertz et al.

In addition to the corrections according to the suggestions of the reviewer, we added the present new e-mail and post address of Dr. Gerd Laifer (on the title page): Gerd.Laifer@triemli.stzh.ch; Department of Internal Medicine, Triemli Hospital, Zurich, Switzerland

Point-by-point Revision:

Reviewer: Sigvard Mölstad

Discretionary revisions:

1) page 11: Suggest identical writing of (OR XX, CI xx-xx, p=xx). Now several variations are given on page 11 (ok at bottom lines). On line 4-5, Odds Ratio and 95% Confidence interval are spelled out. Could not those "definitions" be given in statistics section? ...results given as Odds Ratio (OR) and 95% Confidence Interval (CI)

OR and CI are newly defined in the Statistics Section as suggested. Throughout the article, the identical writing is now used (OR XX, CI xx-xx, p=xx).

2) page 13, line 17, were recommended, not recommend

We thank the reviewer for this remark and have corrected it accordingly.

3) page 14, last two lines: Suggest: The majority (36 of 59) deep venous thrombosis was septic, constituting 10.5% of hospitalizations. These results.....

We have reformulated this sentence according to the suggestion of the reviewer.