Reviewer's report

Title: Serum procalcitonin for the early recognition of nosocomial infection in the critically ill patients: a preliminary report

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Reviewer: Corsino Rey

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In my opinion, the manuscript is almost ready to be published.

MINOR ESSENTIAL REVISIONS

Figure 2. Replace "sepsis" by "infection"

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I had received speaker honoraria from Brahms (the manufacturer of procalcitonin assays) to attend meetings related to procalcitonin and sepsis