Author's response to reviews

Title: Protocol for a mixed-methods study of supplemental oxygen in pulmonary fibrosis

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Dear Ms Zapanta:

We appreciate the opportunity to respond to your comments.

Below, you will find our response to each comment. For ease of review, we have labeled comments (e.g., Comment 1 = C1), and we have labeled the Author’s reply accordingly (e.g., Author reply to Comment 1 = AR:C1).

We hope you find our responses acceptable and look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

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Comments

(1) Title Page: Please include the email addresses of all authors.
   AR:C1) Change made.

(2) Ethics and funding proofs:
   1. Ethical and Funding Approval Documentation
      AR:C2.1) As requested, IRB approval letter was sent via email to BMCSeriesEditorial@biomedcentral.com
   2. Funding
      AR:C2.2) As requested, confirmation letter was sent via email to BMCSeriesEditorial@biomedcentral.com. As this study is funded via a competitive funding mechanism, the study protocol did undergo peer-review by the funding body.
   3. Study status
      AR:C2.3) This study is currently ongoing and enrolling. Although this is not a trial, we did register it at www.clinicaltrials.gov.
   4. Related Articles
      AR:C2.4) There are no manuscripts with results for this study. We have submitted a manuscript that details the clinical characteristics of enrollees in a contact registry that we are using to recruit for the study whose protocol this manuscript describes.

(3) Competing Interests:
   AR:C3) The authors declare that they have no competing interests.

(4) Authors’ Contributions:
   AR:C4) Section added as requested.
(5) Acknowledgements:
   AR:C5) Section added as requested.

(6) Line Numbering:
   AR:C6) Change made.

(7) Ethics:
   AR:C7) This is included (page 7, last full paragraph).

(8) Sample Size:
   AR:C4) Section added as requested (page 12).