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Dear Dr Puebla,

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We have tried to meet the requirements spelled out in your letter to the best of our efforts. We sincerely hope we have been able to do the needful. Regarding the query of Referee 2: (Dr Fukuoka) about the narrowing down of the therapeutic time window, we had indeed carried out detailed investigations in the width of the window as a part of some other studies. We are sorry we have reported our findings elsewhere and since it is already in the process of publication, we are unable to include the matter in our paper. We shall be glad to provide the literature reference when it is finally in the print form.

Sincerely yours,

M Ray
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**Answer:** No. The organization where we carried out the work reported here is not likely to lose or gain financially, now or in the future from the publication of this report. They are not financing the publication of the present report.

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**Answer:** No, we are not applying for any patents relating to the contents of this paper. Work reported in our US patent is on the effect of pretreatment of curcuma oil in MCAo model of stroke using a nylon filament. The present report deals with the efficacy and therapeutic time window of curcuma oil in themboembolic model of stroke. The organization where we carried out the work has a publication committee which reviews the report, and then permits us to publish the work and allots a communication number.

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