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Dear Dr. Goldsmith

Thank you for the peer-review feedback and the opportunity to resubmit this protocol entitled “Early postoperative cognitive dysfunction and postoperative delirium after anaesthesia with various hypnotics: a double blind, prospective, randomized, controlled clinical trial - The PINOCCHIO trial”. The feedback was extremely useful.

We have revised the manuscript according with your suggestion, modifying reference list and statistical analysis. All corrections made in the text are in bold.

Sincerely,

Federico Bilotta
1. The replies from the authors seemed sensible, except for previous comment #2. Appendix 3 still has 2 boxes for each response. This should be changed to 1 box per response before it is published.

We have changed it according with your suggestion.

2. Also, on page 12, paragraph 2, lines 8,9,11,12 and 15 should have the times of [hr] replaced [h] as the rest of the rates show.

We have changed it according with your suggestion.