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Re: MS 1326782308104295

Dear Editors,

Thank you for your letter concerning our manuscript entitled “Cumulative incidence for wait-list death in relation to length of queue for coronary-artery bypass grafting: a cohort study.” The authors very much appreciate comments made by reviewers and found their suggestions helpful.

We are pleased that the Journal of Cardiothoracic Surgery will publish our manuscript pending formatting requirements. We have enclosed our specific responses to the formatting comments.

Sincerely yours,

Boris Sobolev, PhD
Revision Report

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