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Title: Thrombotic Gene Polymorphisms and Postoperative Outcome after Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery

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Thanks for the valuable review. We have revised the manuscript and evaluated the suggestions.

1. The title has been changed.
2. Background section has been revised.
3. The exclusion criteria were derived from general routinely used criteria. In addition situations that could affect the coagulation were also considered. Although we have stated that aspirin or clopidogrel have been stopped prior to surgery, we have also added an additional criteria number (8), stating that emergent or urgent surgery were also excluded.
4. In methods, we have added the information about postoperative anticoagulation protocol.
5. As the main aim of the study was to investigate any effect of genetic variations on postoperative outcome, the control group in the study was patients without any genetic variations.
6. The term excess has been removed as suggested.
7. To diagnose deep vein thrombosis clinical suspicion was used and colour doppler ultrasonography was performed to confirm the suspect diagnosis. We have added this information to the methods section.
8. The incidence of genetic mutations are independent from demographic data. Therefore, the difference or similarity of the demographic data would not affect the cross tabulation of the two group. There wasn’t a significant difference between the two groups.