Author's response to reviews

Title: Effect of esmolol on the cardiac recovery in cardiopulmonary bypass surgery

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Dear Professor Editor-in-Chief,

This is a revision by Sun Jie, et al. entitled “Effect of esmolol on the cardiac recovery in cardiopulmonary bypass surgery”.

To reviewer 1:
1. “the posterior parallel time” is the time from unclamping to weaning, which is declared in the results. (page 4, line 14)
2. We changed “maintain” into “maintained”. (page 4, line 22)
3. We used a short-acting beta block because we are afraid that long-acting beta block will influence the heart systolic function during weaning off the CPB pump. So in order to emphasize this, we change the title into “Effect of short-acting beta blocker on the cardiac recovery after cardiopulmonary bypass”
4. The patients with cardiopericarditis were excluded from the study, because we think that it will take a rather long time for the surgeons to separate the pericardium and first the operation time will not the same and second separating the pericardium sometimes will injury the heart and may influence our results.

To reviewer 2:
Thanks to the reviewer 2 for his comments on our manuscript.

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Thanks very much for your attention to our paper.
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