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Comment

Major compulsory revision

1. How the authors confirmed pneumonia? Did they observe positive sputum or inflammatory exudation in the chest X-Ray? How is it possible to have a positive sputum in the chest X-Ray exam?

   It’s a grammatical mistake and I have revised it.

2. Did the author use kPa as unit for central venous pressure assessment? It is not a very common unit for this measurement. Are they using clinically?

   We often use cmH$_2$O as unit for central venous pressure assessment. But I convert it to international standard unit in the study.

3. The authors described low cardiac output syndrome as “… in the systolic pressure compared..” Is this “systolic pressure” means arterial systolic pressure, pulmonary systolic pressure, or what? Review.

   The “systolic pressure” means arterial systolic pressure.

4. The stroke was defined as “…with evidence of computed tomography”? Review.

   I have revised in the text.

5. The authors insisted in using t’test expression and described to the reviewer the homogeneity of variance. Thank you for your explanation. However, it is not clear, which test they used. Did they perform Mann-Whitney test when a nonparametric test was necessary or did they used Welch’s correction with normal distribution. The t’test definitively is not well known term and has to be
changed.

The approximate t test that we used is Satterthwaite's test if the variance is not equal. I have revised it in text.

6. There are several typographical errors such as, PH, missing spaces between words throughout the manuscript.

I have revised these errors in text.

7. The table of abbreviations is not in alphabetical order. Review.

I have revised according to the alphabetical order.