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Dear Editor in Chief,

We would like to resubmit the revision of our manuscript “SERUM LIPID LEVELS AND POSTOPERATIVE ATRIAL FIBRILLATION” for publication in Journal of Cardiothoracic Surgery.

Present study included 100 patients who were operated at the department of Cardiovascular Surgery of our hospital. It is known that post-operative atrial fibrillation is an important complication after coronary bypass surgery, therefore in this study we aimed to investigate the relationship between postoperative AF and preoperative serum lipid levels. As a result we found that high levels of LDL-C in the preoperative period could be predictor of AF development in the post operative period.

To the best of our knowledge, our study is of importance since we highlighted the important effects of serum lipid levels as predictors of AF development in the post operative period without the effects of statin treatment. We believe that, besides statin treatment, reduced levels of serum lipids could be important predictors of AF development.

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