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Dear Editor,

Thanks for your reply on 18th February 2019 regarding our manuscript

Single and double pain responses to individually titrated ultra-short laser stimulation in humans (BANE-D-18-00578R1) submitted to BMC Anesthesiology. We thank you for considering this manuscript for publication after minor revision according to your comments and concerns.

This response letter explains our revisions or clarifications point-by-point as asked for. The final version of our manuscript has been read and approved by all authors.

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