Author’s response to reviews

Title: Effect of Ketofol versus propofol as an induction agent on ease of laryngeal mask airway insertion conditions and hemodynamic stability in pediatrics: An observational prospective cohort study.

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Thank you for your constrictive ideas and comments.

Comments from Lingling Tian, PhD (Assistant Editor):

1. The nature of your study

Please clarify whether the assignment of the medical intervention (Group KP and group P) is at the discretion of the investigator? If yes, then your study was a clinical trial, and it should be registered. Suitable publicly available registries are those listed on the ICMJE website as well as any of the primary registries that participate in the WHO International Clinical Trials Registry Platform, including the ISRCTN registry, which is administered and published by BioMed Central. Then, please include the trial registration number (TRN) and date of registration as the last line of the manuscript abstract. Please also state ‘retrospectively registered’.

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Response: The assignment of the medical intervention was not under discretion of the investigators. The role of investigators were simply to observe the difference between group KP and group P and the assignment was done by health professionals has been working in the hospital. That why we used observational cohort as a study design.
2. Authors' contributions In this section, it is stated -TMZ: Assisted in data interpretation and reviewed the manuscript critically. However, this author TMZ is not listed as an author on title page and the submission system, while Hagos Tasew listed as an author on title page is not present in this section. Please check this and make sure the consistency.

Response: Sorry what we made errors. Actually, we made correction on this part.

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Response: We made correction on this part. Thank for your comments.

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Response: We made correction on this part.
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Response: Ok