Reviewer’s report

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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Reviewer: Massimiliano Sorbello

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Paper by Aberra and coworkers cover the interesting topic of alternative induction agent (ketofol) on ease of laryngeal mask insertion in children.

English needs extensive review.

Abstract

"was also looked" reformulate

"propofol"

Background

In many cases, possibility of intubation or mask ventilation is spoor”. Please clarify. Poor understanding as it is. Many other equivocal sentences and typos.

Introduction as it is seems quite long, some topics could be moved in discussion.

Deepeness, opennes.. not english.

Methods: definitions could be moved in a table. Need to specify Ethical Committee approval coordinates. Propofol was used in quite high dose, some explanation should be given. Of notice, such a large propofol dose easily explains the hemodynamic and apnea time differences, also biasing the ease of insertion. Discussion on dosing should be provided, and theoretically different doses might have been compared.

Statistics well designed, though little bit confusionary as expressed. Some information could be moved to methods.

Results: exhaustive and detailed.
Discussion: partly redundant (could be shortened) and missing for some discussion on dosing. Some of the issues discussed in introduction could be moved in discussion.

Conclusion: adequate. Limitations of the study should be clarified.

References: some of them are outdated, or from "second line" journals. Need to check for uniform reference format.

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