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I would like to thank the authors for their hard work in responding the reviewers' comments and improving their manuscript. Please find a few more comments below:

* Abstract - As reported in your response to the reviewers, I suggest adding the "differences in worsened outcomes do not exist when one looks into the GA vs. CS randomized-controlled trials".

* Similarly, in the Discussion and Conclusion statement, I suggest the authors cautioning about the totally different results of the RCT anesthesia intervention studies. Overall, meta-analysis may represent a statistically strong difference between the mortality and neurological outcomes favoring CS, but the smaller RCT, which randomized anesthesia intervention shows totally the opposite (outcomes similar or better in GA). This discrepancy clearly needs to be mentioned in the Discussion.

* Figures - I suggest the authors to add which side of "1" favors CS vs. GA. This would make readers to understand the figures without even reading the relevant text.

* Overall, I thank the authors for their detailed revision and hard work.
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