Reviewer’s report

Title: EFFECT OF PEEP AND I:E RATIO ON CEREBRAL OXYGENATION IN ARDS: AN EXPERIMENTAL STUDY IN ANESTHETIZED RABBIT

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Reviewer: Stefan Kreyer

Reviewer's report:

The authors sufficiently replied to the comments and I have no further questions except for:

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