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Title: Ethical Arguments Concerning Human-Animal Chimera Research: A Systematic Review

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Yes - the approach is appropriate

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N/A - no experiments or analyses

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N/A - there are no statistics in this study

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Yes - the author's interpretation is reasonable

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Yes - current version is technically sound
PEER REVIEWER COMMENTS:

GENERAL COMMENTS: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the revised manuscript entitled "Ethical arguments concerning human-animal chimera research: A systematic review" (METH-D-19-00062R1). I thank the authors for their detailed responses to comments previously raised and modifications made to the manuscript. The additional text now more fully places the limitation of this review article, so it seems that the manuscript is greatly improved.

REQUESTED REVISIONS:

I would like to thank the authors for their detailed response to comments raised previously. The revised manuscript has been greatly strengthened.

ADDITIONAL REQUESTS/SUGGESTIONS:

N/A

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If not, please specify what is required in your comments to the authors.
Yes

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