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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p>Compulsory REVISION comments</p> <p>---1. This reviewer reviewed the manuscript with a great interest in thrombocytopenia in COVID-19 pneumonia as a biomarker.</p> <p>---2. There are many grammatical errors throughout the manuscript.</p> <p>---3. There are two aspects needed to be addressed and included in the Discussion Section to strengthen this section.</p> <p>---4. Several areas of the manuscript (marked in yellow) requires clarification.</p>	<p>The manuscript had no page numbers. This reviewer numbered them starting the title page as 1. This reviewer also took the liberty to edit the manuscript using the tracking function. However, the reviewer did not understand a few areas marked in yellow, what authors tried to explicit. They are listed below.</p> <p>---1. page 1, Abstract, Results, lines 12, 13, 14: What are these p. value=0.000 meant? Do you mean no p value available for those single numbers to make comparisons so that no p value is generated? If so, then please delete them.</p> <p>---2. page 2, Introduction, paragraph 4, line 2: What is 5-41.7% meant? Please clarify it.</p> <p>---3. page 3, lines 1-4: COVID-19 did not just elevate IL-6. It elevated IL-1β, IL-1RA, IL-6, IL-8, IL-18, and TNF-α in COVID-19 infection and many other diseases. Therefore, these most recent publications are inserted.</p> <p>---4. page 3, line 12: Please provide reference(s).</p> <p>---5. page 8, line 4: Again what is P. value=0.000 meant? Please clarify.</p> <p>---6. page 10, paragraph 3, lines 6-17 and page 11, lines 1-2: These statements are repeated from the Introduction Section. It is not appropriate. Please delete them and write something different to convey your messages.</p> <p>---7. You miss a very important portion of literature involving cytokine storms after COVID-19 infection. Many diseases cause cytokine storms and the magnitude of cytokines in blood and tissues are essential to distinguish COVID-19 infection from other diseases (Wilson et al., 2020, PMID: 32706339; Chen et al., 2021, PMID: 34367188; Zhan et al., 2021, PMID: 33708849). Therefore, please include this information in the Discussion Section.</p> <p>---8. You claim thrombocytopenia as a biomarker to evaluate the severity of COVID-19, but many other diseases also show thrombocytopenia and are not lethal. Therefore, thrombocytopenia coupled with cytokine levels probably will be a better combination of circulating cytokine levels of IL-1β, IL-1RA, IL-6, IL-8, IL-18, and TNF-α with thrombocytopenia to evaluate COVID-19 severity in patients ((Wilson et al., 2020, PMID: 32706339; Chen et al., 2021, PMID: 34367188; Zhan et al., 2021, PMID: 33708849). Please include this information in the Discussion Section.</p> <p>---9. page 11, paragraph 5, line 4: What is P. value=0.000 meant? Please clarify it.</p> <p>---10. page 12, paragraph 2, line 2 and paragraph 3, line 3: Again, What is P. value=0.000 meant? Please clarify them.</p>	
<p>Minor REVISION comments</p>	<p>There is no consistency on table (1), Table 1, Figure 1, or figure 1, etc. throughout the manuscript. Please follow the journal format.</p>	
<p>Optional/General comments</p> <p>This manuscript is important for the current pandemic. I encourage authors to revise accordingly before recommending for publication.</p>		

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