Dear Dr.  Mojtaba Farjam

Please kindly consider the original article entitled "Validity and reliability of National Institute of Health Stroke Scale Persian version Vs. Modified National Institute of Health stroke scale Persian version". In this article the validity and reliability of National Institute of Health Stroke Scale (NIHSS) and Modified National Institute of Health Stroke Scale (mNIHSS) Persian versions were examined and compared.

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1.  The paper has not been published to date

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3.  All persons listed as the authors have read it and approved it for publication.

4. All authors had contribution in the study.

5. All procedures were followed in accordance with the guidance and approval of the Institutional Medical Ethics Committee and research council of Shiraz University of Medical Sciences. The Helsinki Criteria were observed.

6. Patients were only enrolled after giving a written informed consent.

7. The authors confirmed that the manuscript can be submitted by the corresponding author

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