

Dear Editor

We made necessary changes according to your advice.

We will be very happy if you consider our manuscript for publication in your journal.

Yours Sincerely

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**Comment 1-** some corrections of language has been made on the text.

**Answer 1-** some corrections of language has also be made.

**Comment 2-** Your conclusion is not about usage of uricosuric drugs. Your conclusion is the relationship you found between high serum UA levels and LACI and PACI. You can only make a comment about drugs after stating the result of your study.

**Answer 2-** We made necessary corrections and we highlighted the sentences in yellow colour in the text.

Future research with larger groups should focus on whether uric acid- lowering drugs have any beneficial effects on acute stroke and AF.' was changed as 'In our study, it was found that high SUA levels were related to LACI and PACI, respectively. Further studies with larger groups are needed.' in the conclusion section of English Abstract.

'Ürik asit düşürücü ilaçların akut inme ve AF üzerinde herhangi bir yararlı etkiye sahip olup olmadığı ile ilgili olarak daha büyük gruplar üzerinde yapılacak ileri çalışmalara ihtiyaç vardır.' was changed as ': Çalışmamızda yüksek SUA düzeylerinin sırasıyla LACI ve PACI ile ilişkili olduğu saptanmış olup, daha büyük gruplarla yapılacak ileri çalışmalara ihtiyaç vardır.' in the conclusion section of Turkish Abstract.

**Comment 3-** Is the relationship between AF and extracranial atherosclerosis found in anterior or posterior circulation? You have contradictory statements in the abstract and text ,which must be corrected.

**Answer 3-** 'There was no statistically significant difference between serum uric acid levels and AF; no statistically significant correlation was found between AF and atherosclerotic intracranial-extracranial artery stenosis.' was changed as "There was no statistically significant difference between serum uric acid levels and AF; no statistically significant correlation was found between AF and atherosclerotic intracranial artery stenosis. We only found a correlation between AF and extracranial atherosclerosis of the anterior circulation as contour irregularity and moderate stenosis ( $p=0.05$ )" in the 6<sup>th</sup> paragraph of discussion section.