Editors’ Commentary

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The Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeon Reports (ThCVSReports), therefore, presents to you authentic OPINIONS. Discussion in the form of Letters-to-the-Editor is very welcome because this topic still raises more questions than we have currently answers for.

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