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## COMMENTS AND CORRECTIONS

# Correction to “The Need for the Establishment of Biomedical Engineering as an Academic and Professional Discipline in the Philippines—A Quantitative Argument”

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In the above article [1], the authors failed to mention in the Acknowledgment section that both Jamie Ledesma Fermin and Myles Joshua Toledo Tan have contributed equally to the work and share the first authorship.

The acknowledgment should read “(*Jamie Ledesma Fermin and Myles Joshua Toledo Tan contributed equally to this work.*) The authors would like to thank Vinosh J. Mathuranayagam and Olivia Licata for highly useful discussions and feedback.”

The authors requested this correction to clarify the extent of the contributions of each one.

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