Dear Editors and Reviewers:

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewers' comments concerning our manuscript entitled "Prognostic value of red blood cell distribution width for severe acute pancreatitis"(ID:48590). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. We have studied comments carefully and have made correction which we hope meet with approval. Revised portion are marked in red in the paper.

The main corrections in the paper and the responds to the reviewers' comments are as following:

Responds to the reviewers' comments:

Reviewer #1:

1. Comment: Interesting study. Short, but informative.

Response: Thank you for your encouragement of the research.

2. Comment: The authors should take attention about some spelling errors.

Response: We are very sorry for our incorrect writing and have carefully rechecked grammar and spelling.

Special thanks to you for your good comments.

Reviewer #2:

1. Comment: The manuscript requires a minor language editing.

Response: The manuscript had been edited by a native English speaker.

2. Comment: The tables should be edited. The table 5 and table 6 should be combined into one.

Response: We have re-edited the tables according to the Review's suggestion.

3. Comment: References are updated, but requires an editing according to the journal's style.

Response: We have edited the references according to the journal's style.

Thanks to your warm comments.

Reviewer #3:

1. Comment: The enrolled 42 patients' exclusion criteria is clear. However, what's the total patients' number?

Response: The total patients' number is 1667.

2. Comment: Are there any follow up data? If so, please listed, and discuss it.

Response: Additional prognostic data of patients are being collected, and statistical analysis will be conducted after collection.

3. Comment: The manuscript requires an editing. Some minor language polishing should be revised.

Response: The manuscript had been edited by a native English speaker.

Special thanks to you for your good comments.

We tried our best to improve the manuscript and made some changes in the manuscript. These changes will not influence the content and framework of the paper. And here we did not list the changes but marked in red in revised paper.

We appreciate for Editors/Reviewers'warm work earnestly, and hope that the correction will

meet with approval.
Once again, thank you very much for your comments and suggestion.

Best regards,
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