

Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (review glicata lazzeri rev2.doc).

Title: THE CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF GLYCATED HEMOGLOBIN IN THE ACUTE PHASE OF ST ELEVATION MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

Reviewer # 1 (02639907)

- As suggested by the reviewer, the prognostic value of HbA1c has been added to Table 1
- Clinical benefits from the screening algorithm has been added to the present version of the manuscript
- English edition has been performed.

Reviewer #2 (02454979)

We thank the reviewer for his/her comments

Reviewer #3 (02520738)

- Following the reviewer's suggestion, the manuscripts by Pannaciulli et al and by De Pergola et al, respectively, have been cited.

Reviewer #4 (02397853)

- The term "patients without previously known diabetes" refers to group B and C, as it is specified in the present version of the manuscript
- Following the reviewer's suggestion, the sentence has been changed into " as reported by Deedwania et al (16) and by us in previous reports "
- The format of reference has been corrected
- Acronyms are defined in the present version of the manuscript. We apologize.

Reviewer #5 (02458760)

- The role of Hb A1c has been better clarified in Table 1
- Typos have been corrected. We apologize

Reviewer #6 (02797788)

We completely agree with the reviewer.

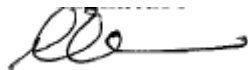
The proposed algorithm is still being implemented in our Center and, so far, its reliability has to be proved. As stated in the manuscript, "*Further validation of this algorithm in prospective studies may be required in the contemporary STEMI population to resolve some of these uncertainties around HbA1c screening cut points*"

Following the reviewer's suggestion we reported how the studies cited in Table 1 have been included.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Cardiology*

Sincerely yours,



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