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Dear Editor

With this letter we wish to reply, point by point, to the issues and concerns raised by the reviewers regarding our letter to the editor **“Are We Ready to Use New Endoscopic Scores for Ulcerative Colitis?”**

We thank you for the meticulous comments that will help us to improve our work.

Reviewer #1:

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Scientific Quality: Grade A (Excellent)

Language Quality: Grade A (Priority publishing)

Conclusion: Minor revision

Specific Comments to Authors:

The letter comments on studies examining the value of the newly developed Toronto IBD global endoscopic reporting (TIGER) score as an alternative to the traditional Mayo and UCEIS scores. The letter is highly relevant as it points out that more research is still to be done in exploring the correlation between the TIGER score and calprotectin, findings by ultrasound, interobserver agreements in scoring and definitions of remission and response. I have only two minor comments: It is stated that sigmoidoscopy and colonoscopy both can evaluate the extent and severity of colonic inflammation. This is not always the case using sigmoidoscopy. Additionally in the choice between sigmoidoscopy and colonoscopy it should be noted that sigmoidoscopy might be preferred by some patients.

Reply: We appreciate the supportive comments on our letter. Regarding the minor comments, we completely agree and have made the respective changes.

We trust these revisions have enhanced the quality of the letter as per your esteemed suggestions.

Kind regards,

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