

## Format for ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 9881\_review.doc).

**Title:** Bleeding risk stratification in an era of aggressive management of acute coronary syndromes

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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. We have highlighted in yellow all changes made in the new version of the manuscript.

- (1) Reviewer 1: Dear Dr. Abu-Assi and colleagues: You write a good review regarding current status of major bleeding stratification in acute coronary syndrome. There are some suggestions for you. Major: In page 8: "With regard to the modifiable risk factors, two variables deserve a special mention: antithrombotic therapy and vascular access." I suggest body mass index are related to these two factors and associated with bleeding risk. You may make a discussion. Suggested reference: Lin GM, Li YH, Lin CL, et al. Relation of body mass index to bleeding events among patients with percutaneous coronary intervention: a meta-analysis. *Int J Cardiol.* 2013 Oct 12;168(5):4831-5. Das SR, Alexander KP, Chen AY, et al. Impact of body weight and extreme obesity on the presentation, treatment, and in-hospital outcomes of 50,149 patients with ST-Segment elevation myocardial infarction results from the NCDR (National Cardiovascular Data Registry). *J Am Coll Cardiol.* 2011 Dec 13;58(25):2642-50. minor: Some errors in word spelling were made. Please corrected them.

We have added a new sentence according to the comments of the reviewer. See page eight.

- (2) Reviewer 2: The present manuscript reviews evidence regarding the importance of bleeding complications in patients with ACS. It offers an accurate description of current prediction models commonly used in clinical daily practice. The text is clear and easy to read, figures and tables summarize current scoring systems very easily. The manuscript merits publication without modifications. Only minor ortographic corrections should be done.
- (3) Reviewer 3: Dear Editor, I had the opportunity to review the manuscript titled "BLEEDING RISK STRATIFICATION IN AN ERA OF AGGRESSIVE MANAGEMENT OF ACUTE CORONARY SYNDROMES" The manuscript is well written and informative, but probably will benefit from some minor language polishing. Minor issues – Page 9 para 1 – line 3 typo – and Page 9 para 1 – it may be worth discussing the risk of catheter thrombosis with use of fondaparinux in patients undergoing PCI for ACS. Page 10 title typo – Quantitative Table 1 – TIMI major bleeding also includes – fatal bleeding within 7 days GUSTO criteria did not use hemoglobin criteria to classify bleeding. There are some

*typographical and grammatical errors in the manuscript which are effecting the flow of otherwise well written paper*

Regarding to risk of catheter thrombosis with fondaparinaux, we have added a new sentence according to the comments of the reviewer. See page nine.

In addition to this, we have modified the table 1 basing on the reviewer's suggestions.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

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