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Scientific quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
Re-review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Comments to authors: The authors must be congratulated for a well-written and very important topic in the field of medical education and methodology. They describe their experience on an important topic on point-of-care ultrasonography with hand-held devices and its application and learning in internal medicine residents. The beautifully highlight the importance, limitations and problems that are often encountered in this field of education. Abstract: The abstract is very well written and nicely summarizes the topic. Introduction: Very well written and briefly provides an adequate background on the application of bedside ultrasound. Body of the article: Very well written and touch upon almost all application of bedside ultrasound including inpatient, outpatient and emergency situations where it can become useful. They describe their education methodology appropriately. However, the manuscript is slightly unconventional as it is not a study or a review, but appears to be a perspective piece describing the author's personal experience in this field. It would be rather meaningful to investigate the impact of this seminar on resident education. This reviewer requests the authors to investigate the efficacy and outcome of their education methodology in resident education. Perhaps, the investigators could perform a small follow up study with pre-seminary questionnaire or exam for the residents and a post-seminar questionnaire or hands-on exam and assess the change/improvement in skills and understanding of the utility of ultrasonography to demonstrate that their methodology of education works. That would have a deeper impact on medical education.



RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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Language quality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing <input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection
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Overall, the changes are satisfactory. Please remove the first sentence in the third paragraph of introduction where you mention that the benefit of portable ultrasound is that it is inexpensive as you had mentioned in your conclusion and your response to reviewers that the cost was the major barrier to buy handheld devices. -"The benefits of portable US are that it is inexpensive"- remove this line Otherwise, the manuscript looks great.