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Dear Editor, World Journal of Gastroenterology

We sincerely appreciate the support of the World Journal of Gastroenterology for considering our revised manuscript titled "Validation of the albumin-bilirubin (ALBI) score for identifying decompensation risk in patients with compensated cirrhosis." (NO.: 85133) by Navadurong et al. for publication in the journal.

Since our study was a retrospective cohort study, a signed informed consent form from the patients at the time of their treatment was required for submission. However, we would like to inform you that informed consent was waived as our study was retrospective in nature. Therefore, informed consent specifically for submission was not provided. However, the study protocol was approved by the Institutional Review Board of the Faculty of Medicine, Chulalongkorn University (IRB No.423/64). We would like to express our gratitude to the editors and reviewers for their time and effort in handling and reviewing the revised manuscript.

We look forward to getting hopefully positive review of the manuscript. Sincerely,



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