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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited letter in Word format (file name: 10283-revised.doc).

Title: AIMS65: a promising upper GI bleeding risk score but further validation required

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

1. We can confirm that all three authors are native speakers of English (in response to editor comment)
2. Author affiliations amended (as per editor comment)
3. Author contributions, Correspondance Information and Telephone/Fax information amended (as per editor comment)
4. Abstract – there was a comment from the Editor to change our abstract to a structured abstract. However, this is a letter to the editor – we feel a structured abstract would not be appropriate. Previous recent letters to the editor in WJG have not been structured (please see <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3691030/> for an example). However, if required, we would be happy to attempt a structured abstract.
5. Revisions have been made according to the suggestions of the reviewers:

Reviewer Number	Reviewer Comment	Change
504538	“[Your] second [comment] is that authors did not compare the performance of AIMS65 with any other existing prognostic scores. However considering the aim of study is applicability of the AIMS65 score in predicting outcomes of non-variceal peptic ulcer bleeding, I think that by itself has significance.”	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Inserted sentence in third paragraph: <i>“Although the authors aim was to investigate the applicability of AIMS65 in peptic ulcer-related bleeding...”</i>2. Moved last sentence of the third paragraph to earlier in the paragraph. <p>Note: our comments are not necessarily criticisms of the study: indeed, we feel that the study does have value. Our two considerations</p>

		are merely designed to encourage discussion and debate around AIMS65 as a potentially useful triage tool.
504182	No suggestions for improvement made	N/A
58455	No suggestions for improvement made	N/A

Thank you again for publishing our letter in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,



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