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To,

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Editor-In-Chief

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Dear Editor,

Thank you for your thorough review of our manuscript. We are grateful for the time you have spent on our writing and took the opportunity to respond to your thoughtful feedback. Below is a point-by-point response to our peer reviewer:

- 1.) We acknowledge the peer-reviewers suggestions for additional resources for endoscopic management and treatment algorithms. We reviewed all suggested articles and integrated them into our manuscript/citations.
- 2.) We have enriched our discussion regarding endoscopic therapy in the section "ii. Endoscopic Therapy" under the header "Acute GI Bleed Management". Examples include discussions regarding algorithms from the ASGE and ESGE, as well as endoscopic techniques for treatment, including hemostatic spray, epinephrine, clips, etc.
- 3.) ASGE and ESGE guidelines were reviewed, as suggested by the peer-reviewer. Our manuscript is revised with treatment algorithms focusing on initial resuscitation in all cases, EGD and colonoscopy with follow-up video capsule endoscopy (VCE) as needed. This differs from our original statement regarding double balloon enteroscopy after EGD and colonoscopy instead of video capsule endoscopy. Figures updated to reflect changes.
- 4.) The authors do not have any self-citations to disclose on this manuscript.

- 5.) We will provide PowerPoint copies of our figures on this revision.
- 6.) Reference formatting has been fixed to include Arabic numerals with brackets.

Sincerely on behalf of all the authors,

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