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Dear Editor,

Thank you very much for accepting our paper: “Optimal cut-off criteria for duplex ultrasound for the diagnosis of restenosis in stented carotid arteries: review and protocol for a diagnostic study” for publication in BMC Neurology.

We have made final revisions according to the email of The BioMed Central Editorial Production Team (14th of July).

We have made all suggested changes except one. We would like to ask you if you allow us a different structure of the paper than the standard structure of ‘background’, ‘methods/design’, and ‘discussion’. The reason is that the paper actually contains two main topics. It starts with a complete literature review (with methods but also with results) and finishes with a protocol for the new study. Therefore, we suggested the headings ‘background’, ‘literature review’, and ‘protocol diagnostic study’. On your request, of course we will change in your standard headings; but by doing so the structure of the paper may become somewhat unclear.

Please let me know if you allow us the current structure of both abstract and main text. If you want us to change, I will do so as soon as possible.

We are very pleased with your interest in our new study and in our paper.

On behalf of Martin Brown,

Sincerely yours,

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