Author’s response to reviews

Title: A Simple Prediction Model to Estimate Obstructive Coronary Artery Disease

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Dear, Fabrizio D'Ascenzo

Many thanks for reviewing our manuscript titled “A Simple Prediction Model to Estimate Obstructive Coronary Artery Disease”. We have made substantial changes according to your comments.

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Response: Thank you for sincere remind! Yes, JC and HY have made all the substantive intellectual contributions (above a, b, c and d) and revised “JC, HY, SC, YL, QL, and SI: acquisition, analysis, and interpretation of data; JC, HY, SC, YL, QL, and SI: drafting the manuscript and revising it critically for important intellectual content;” in the Authors’ contributions section in the last revised manuscript.
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Response: Thank you very much for this suggestion. We have now added the section "Additional files" after the Figure legends in the last revised manuscript.

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Response: Thank you very much for this suggestion. We have now added the email addresses for all authors on the title page in the last revised manuscript.

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Response: Thank you very much for this suggestion. We have now added “The funders had no role in the design of the study and collection, analysis, and interpretation of data and in writing the manuscript” in the Funding section in the last revised manuscript.

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Response: Yes, we have done it according to your comments, thanks again