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Galen Medical Jouranl

Subject: **SUBMISSION OF NEW MANUSCRIPT FOR EVALUATION**

**Dear Editor-in-Chief**

I am enclosing here with a manuscript entitled “**Comparison of prognosis in patients with liver cirrhosis and its correlation with the Model for the End-Stage Liver Disease and Child-Pugh score in two groups of esophageal and gastric variceal bleeding**” submitted to “**Galen Medical Jouranl**” for possible evaluation.

With the submission of this manuscript I would like to undertake that the above mentioned manuscript has not been published elsewhere, accepted for publication elsewhere or under editorial review for publication elsewhere; and that my Institute’s **Mashhad University of Medical Sciences** representative is fully aware of this submission.

Type of Submitted manuscript:

* Original Article

This research project was conducted from: 2011 –2013.

My Research Project was fully sponsored Mashhad University of Medical Sciences.

In this manuscript we aimed to investigated and compared survival prognosis of cirrhotic patients by the Child-Pugh and MELD score in two groups of esophageal variceal bleeding and gastric variceal bleeding. According to the results of this study, Sensitivity and specificity of the Child-Pugh and the MELD score are the same in predicting mortality. However, the chance ratio defined that Child-Pugh score is a better predictor of mortality than MELD score, since the chance of death will increase 2.51 and 1.62 fold per unit increase of the Child Pugh score and the MELD score, respectively. However, no significant difference found

It would be deeply appreciated if you could do a fast track review for this paper.

I thank you for taking the time to check on this and look forward to your reply.

Sincerely yours,

**Mohammadreza Sheikhian**