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Response:

We thank the authors for their interest in our study,\textsuperscript{1} and we acknowledge the methodological concerns that they raise. We chose to apply the ABCD\textsuperscript{2} score to emergency department patients with dizziness in this initial study because the elements of the score are simple to apply and are already familiar to many frontline clinicians. Adding additional variables has the potential to increase performance provided that these variables can be reliably measured\textsuperscript{2} and provided that the increased complexity does not limit its practical applicability in the hands of frontline providers. Ultimately, we share the view that further refinement and validation of a risk score for patients with dizziness with a prospective design and a uniformly applied reference standard would be optimal from a methodological perspective and well justified from a clinical perspective moving forward.

Disclosures

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