## Additional file 1

The screening instrument to identify UC patients with a high possibility of current non-adherence to aminosalicylate medication

|   | ľ  | lever     | Rarely | Unsure | Somewhat  | Definitely |
|---|----|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|------------|
| Susceptibility  |    |           |        |        |           |            |
| I think it would be easy to flare up with my current adherence.   |    | 24        | 18     | 12     | 6         | 0          |
| Severity  |    |           |        |        |           |            |
| I think that relapse would have an enormous impact on my daily life including work, school, or housework. |    | 36        | 27     | 18     | 9         | 0          |
| Benefits  |    |           |        |        |           |            |
| I think I will reduce the risk of relapse if I take it as instructed.                                     |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| I think I will reduce the possibility to develop colon cancer if I take it as instructed.                 |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| Barrier   |    |           |        |        |           |            |
| I miss the scheduled time to take it when I am busy at work, school, or with housework.                   |    | 0         | 1      | 2      | 3         | 4          |
| I forget to carry it around when I go out.  |    | 0         | 1      | 2<br>2 | 3         | 4          |
| I miss the scheduled time to take it when I eat meals at irregular hours.                                 |    | 0         | 1      | 2      | 3         | 4          |
| I feel less need to have to take it.  |    | 0         | 1      | 2      | 3         | 4          |
| I hesitate to take it in front of others.   |    | 0         | 1      | 2      | 3         | 4          |
| I feel anxious that it may cause unpleasant side effects.   |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| I feel anxious about long term-side effects.  |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| I feel anxious about unpleasant side effects when my condition becomes worse.                             |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| It is difficult to take so many pills.  |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| It is difficult to swallow such large pills.  |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| It is difficult to take it so many times.   |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| It is difficult to take it for a long time.   |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| Cues to action  |    |           |        |        |           |            |
| I can talk to healthcare providers about my anxiety or worries about it.                                  |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| I am encouraged by healthcare providers or my family to take it as instructed.                            |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| Healthcare providers or my family check whether I took it as instructed.                                  |    | 4         | 3      | 2      | 1         | 0          |
| Visible bleeding  | 0. | Presence  |        | 10.    | Absence   |            |
| Current thiopurines   | 0. | Presence  |        | 8.     | Absence   |            |
| Daily number of aminosalicylate tablets   | 0. | 9 or more |        | 7.     | 8 or less |            |

The range of this model is from 0 to 153. A patient whose scores more than 60 is believed to have a high possibility of current non-adherence.