

Dear Dr. Fang-Fang Ji,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 10634-revised2.doc).

Title: Reporting of Dental Status from Full-Arch Radiographs: descriptive analysis and methodological aspects

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1. Format has been updated as announced by the Editor within the file 10634-edited.doc
2. Citation and Bibliography was adapted to WJCC standard. PMID und DOI was added, wherever available.
3. Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewers and answered as follows:
 - a) Reviewer #???? wrote (received via editors email on May, 30th 2014): "This manuscript is investigating the efficacy of dental x-rays on the identification of particular findings. A medline search was performed and the finding were systematized. Although the manuscript is well written the methology of the paper is unusual and has little objective output. The findings selected from the "medline reached papers" may not constitute a sound basis for the conclusions mentioned in the manuscript. This paper adds little to the current radiology knowledge in dentistry. The conclusions may be biased due to the selected methodology "

Answer: This manuscript is not investigating the efficacy of identification of particular findings via x-rays. The focus of the manuscript is the identification of standards, how particular findings in x-rays are evaluated and presented scientifically. Because there is no published standard for evaluation and reporting of x-ray findings, yet. Admittedly, the methodology is unusual; but it was the best way to cope with the multifarious approaches of report found in the cited literature. Furthermore it allows the reader an objective assessment of used report modes. Regarding the techniques of evaluation of findings, listed in our report, we suggested the most promising approaches, to encourage scientists and facilitate their decision and implementation in upcoming research.

Apart from Medline/Pubmed Database, which was searched in this paper, other databases (such as EMBASE or MEDPILOT) might present a higher number of articles, whose findings are comparable. However, the problem shown in this report still remains.

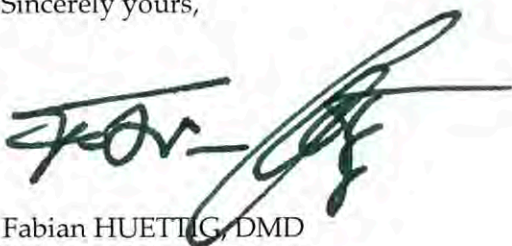
Even if the paper adds nothing to current radiology knowledge, it sensitizes for decision making in scientifically use of radiographs.

Revision: To emphasize and clarify the focus of our paper, we went over introduction, discussion and conclusion section.

- b) Reviewer #00569789 wrote: "congragulations it is a well organized and written paper"
4. Typesetting and language polishing was performed by a native speaker.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Clinical Cases*.

Sincerely yours,



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