

Answering Reviewers

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank you for your time and assistance regarding the review process of our paper. We have received the pee-review report of our article entitled 'An update on diagnosis and management of cuboid fractures' with manuscript number 43128.

We have taken into serious consideration the reviewers' accurate comments as well as Editor's suggestions, which we hope helped as to improve our manuscript enough, in order to be appropriate for publication.

We cite below each comment and the corresponding response describing the changes that have been made to the manuscript. Furthermore the English language of this manuscript was polished by a native speaker of English. For convenience reasons, the necessary changes have been highlighted with yellow colour in the updated version of the manuscript as well.

Sincerely yours

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Reviewer #1: The authors reviewed the diagnosis and treatment of cuboid fractures. This review article is well written, but the reviewer found some misspellings in the literature. So, the manuscript need minor language polishing. And, the reviewer recommends the authors to summarize the discussion and conclusion parts as one conclusion section.

Response to Reviewer #1

Thank you very much for your useful comments.

A language polishing was performed by an English native speaker. According reviewer's suggestion discussion and conclusion sections were summarized in one Conclusion section as well.

Reviewer #2: This is a review article on #An update on diagnosis and management of cuboid fractures. The authors reviewed this topic too descriptive, but informative. I would suggest - change the title to be # The cuboid fracture: How to diagnosis and management - or please add the recent update literature / and future trend on this condition.

Response to Reviewer #2

Thank you very much for your useful comments.

The title is formed according Editor's previous approval.

Recent update literature and future trend on this condition were added in the conclusion section following reviewer's advice.

e.g. References:

- 39 **Ahmed A**, Westrick E. Management of Midfoot Fractures and Dislocations. *Curr Rev Musculoskelet Med* 2018; **11**: 529-536 [PMID:30196386 DOI: 10.1007/s12178-018-9518-8]
- 40 **Rony L**, de Sainte Hermine P, Steiger V, Ferchaud F, Cronier, P. Clinical and radiological outcomes of a cohort of 9 patients with anatomical fractures of the cuboid treated by locking plate fixation. *Orthop Traumatol Surg Res* 2018; **104**: 245-249 [PMID:29408687 DOI:10.1016/j.otsr.2017.12.012].

Reviewer #3: decent manuscript reviewing diagnosis and treatment of cuboid fractures. A paragraph on stress fractures should also be included. Role for subchondroplasty? requires language polishing.

Response to Reviewer #3

Thank you very much for your accurate comments.

A paragraph describing cuboid stress fracture was added in the conclusion section adding some more information to the paragraph analysing these fractures in the introduction.

Subchondroplasty was not analysed in this manuscript as there is a lack of scientific evidence about the application of this method for the treatment of cuboid fractures.

A language polishing was performed by an English native speaker.