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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (11616-revised.docx).

**Title:** Frozen Shoulder: A systematic review of therapeutic options

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

00646703

Thank you for your advice on our article. We have taken your recommendations onboard and moved the systematic review sections to earlier on in the article and have made the corrections that you suggested on the biomechanics section of the paper.

00505366

Thank you for your review of our article. We have corrected the table legend as suggested

00501322

Thank you for your review of our article and your advice. We have endeavored to systematically review treatments of frozen shoulder in the areas where the evidence is unclear and where much recent work has been concentrated i.e. with regard to arthroscopic capsular release and hydrodilatation (arthrographic distension). In areas such as MUA, physiotherapy and steroid therapy extensive previous work, including multiple cochrane reviews, have been summarised concisely in a narrative review.

We feel that the article structure systematically reviews areas of current uncertainty whilst reviewing older more extensively studied treatments in a more concise narrative fashion.

By including both types of reviews and by covering a very wide variety of treatments we feel that this article once published would become the definitive source of information on treatments for frozen shoulder.

The other two reviewers of this article seem to agree with our position and we respectfully side with them.

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

Yours Sincerely

Mr Harpal Singh Uppal