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Scientific editor

Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the revised manuscript in Word format (Manuscript NO.: 28161).

We would like to thank you and the reviewers for the insightful and helpful comments. The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions.

We have addressed all raised issues and our revisions are described below. All changes are highlighted in the revised manuscript.

REVIEWER 00505705

This is an interesting case report on combination therapy of surgery and sacral neuromodulation. The authors address the importance to correct the neo-anus relation to sphincters position before sacral neuromodulation. I only suggest to include the parameters used for InterStim setting, e.g. stimulation frequency, intensity. Those info will help other physicians.

Reply: As suggested, the data on the InterStim device setting have been added in the “Results” section of the revised manuscript. In the initial version of the manuscript, we had already indicated that the patient was fully continent (Jorge-Wexner score of 0/20) merely with a 0.7 Volts of stimulation.

REVIEWER 02674821

This is a very interesting case report showing sacral neuromodulation works in a fecal incontinence patient after erroneous repair of imperforate anus. The case report is well written. I have no concern.

Reply: Thank you for your positive comment.

REVIEWER 02465551

This is a case report but not an observational study.

Reply: We agree with the reviewer. The format has been changed to fulfill manuscript submission requirements for a case report.

It is so strange the author type the date of event but not the age when the event occurred. Is it necessary to know when the patient had broken up with her boyfriend?

Reply: As suggested, the age of the patient when the event occurred has been added and the date of the event was removed. We also removed personal history troublesome symptoms, which do not change the essential approach to the medical problem.

Why did 'Discussion' were included in the Abstract?

Reply: “Discussion” was removed from the Abstract.

The discussion in the Manuscript is so brief.

Reply: We agree with the reviewer. Some comments have been added in order to address this point. Please refer to the revised manuscript.

At introduction, should be imperforate anus, not imperforated anus

Reply: Corrected.

Other modifications to the manuscript:

- English has been checked to correct errors in language.
- The audio core tip has been done
- The Title has been changed: «Neurostimulation for fecal incontinence after correction of repair of imperforate anus” to alleviate without creating confusion.

Thank you for considering our manuscript for publication in your journal.

Sincerely,

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