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Dear Prof. Dennis A Bloomfield and Sandro Vento:

Thank you and the reviewer for reviewing our manuscript entitled “Severe Heterotopic Ossification in a Seronegative Spondyloarthritis Patient after Cervical Bryan® Disc Arthroplasty: A Case Report” for consideration for publication in *World Journal of Clinical Cases*.

We appreciate the reviewer’s thoughtful comments and have thoroughly revised our manuscript accordingly. The changes to the manuscript were highlighted. In addition, we also submitted a list of our point-by-point response to the comments.

We feel that the changes made have improved the overall quality of the manuscript. We hope our revised manuscript may now be deemed acceptable for publication in *World Journal of Clinical Cases*.

We are looking forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

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-Add more on the basic of this disease in the introduction

Authors' response:

The first two paragraphs of the Introductions have been thoroughly revised and a new reference (Meyers et al., 2019) has been cited to substantiate the description of heterotopic ossification. The orders of in-text citation and reference list were updated accordingly.

-Discuss role of imaging using these ref Abdel Razek AA, Castillo M. Imaging appearance of primary bony tumors and pseudo-tumors of the spine. J Neuroradiol 2010;37:37-50. Razek AAA. Ashmalla G. Assessment of paraspinal neurogenic tumors with diffusion-weighted MR imaging. Eur Spine J 2018;27:841-846.

Authors' response:

Thank you for your comment. Both references (Abdel Razek et al., 2010 and Razek et al., 2018) have been cited in the first paragraph of the Discussion section. The orders of in-text citation and reference list were updated accordingly.

-English language correction through the manuscript

Authors' response:

The entire manuscript has been edited by a professional medical editor whose native language is English. We think you will find the text more readable.