

Response to reviewers comments point by point

Sr. no	Reviewer	Comments from reviewer	Response
1	REVIEWER #1	Does age have effect on the fate of root shell after pontic/socket shield techniques? Could the author summarize the fate of root shell in older individuals and make a comparison?	There is no literature with evidence of effect of age on the fate of root shell, hence no comparison can be made.
2.	REVIEWER #1	What is the future outlook for pontic/socket shield techniques? Please summarize the future development trend of pontic/socket shield techniques.	Added at the end of discussion section.
3.	REVIEWER #2	Please add a relevant diagram so that the issues pointed in the manuscript is readily visible.	3 figures added
4	REVIEWER 1 & 2	Minor language polishing.	Proof read done by Native English-speaking person.
5	Editorial Office comments	Add recent reference (if any)	Added
6.	Editorial Office comments	provide the signed Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Form and Copyright License Agreement	Submitted
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