

Dear Editor Ma and Reviewers,

Thanks very much for taking your time to review this manuscript. We really appreciate all your comments and suggestions! Based on the instructions provided in your letter, we uploaded the file of the revised manuscript. Appended to this letter are our point-by-point responses to the comments. The comments are reproduced and our responses are given directly afterwards in a different color (orange).

## **SUGGESTIONS FROM EDITOR**

Issues raised:

1. The title is too long, and it should be no more than 18 words;

Answer: Thank you for the suggestion. We have always paid attention to brevity in our writing, and we have kept the title of this report to 11 words.

2. The authors did not provide original pictures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor.

Answer: Thank you for the suggestion. We have completed and uploaded the relevant documents.

## **COMMENTS FROM REVIEWERS**

**Reviewer #1:**

**Specific Comments to Authors:**

The authors present a paper describing the Dental management of a patient with Moebius syndrome. There are a few major issues that should be addressed by the authors before consideration for publication:

1. Your references are too old and most of them were related to before 2010. You really need to update them, particularly during discussion.

Answer: Thank you for the suggestion. As Moebius syndrome is a rare disorder, available or correlative referential literatures discussing the issues of dental in this syndrome after 2010 are quite few. We have updated some references related to this

paper.

2. According to the title, the readers expect to get something new regarding the management of dental problems during MBS but in the conclusion section of the abstract, you just emphasized early diagnosis of disease.

Answer: Thank you for the comment. Because of the words limit, we didn't talk too much about management in the conclusion section of the abstract before. It was revised and complemented according to your suggestion.

3. The introduction was too long for a case report. For example, you do not need to talk about the different etiologies of the disease. Talk directly about issues related to your article and the importance of expressing it.

Answer: Thank you for underlining this deficiency. The introduction was revised and modified to be more concise.

4. The authors should explain how their findings make a difference for physicians around the world and the readers of the World Journal of Clinical Cases?

Answer: Thank you for the comment. We have mentioned the significance of our findings in the last paragraph of discussion and the conclusion section in the main body (Page 10 Line 7-28). Through this case and referential literatures we found some crucial interactions of oral clinical symptoms of Moebius syndrome. After figuring out these links, we found that though Moebius syndrome can't be cured, if we diagnose and intervene at early stage, acquired oral complications may will be less and the dental management may will be easier. We also discovered early tooth eruption as a potentially new clinical oral manifestation of this syndrome. These will provide more methods and ideas for the diagnosis and treatment of relevant diseases for our readers.

## **Reviewer #2:**

### **Specific Comments to Authors:**

The manuscript is well-written with elaborate discussion of a rare orodental presentation of Moebius Syndrome. Clinical description was very detailed. The author was able to impart new knowledge on how to manage a patient with MBS who

presents with dental complications of the said syndrome. I appreciate the excellent writing, including grammar and review of literature.

We were pleased to know that our work was appreciated. We thank for the effort that you have put into reviewing the manuscript.

We would also like to thank you for allowing us to resubmit a revised copy of the manuscript. We hope that the revised manuscript is accepted for publication in World Journal of Clinical Cases.

Sincerely,

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