

Response to Reviewer #1

We wish to express our appreciation to the reviewer #1 for the favorable comments on our manuscript.

Comment 1: “close to the medial epiconylus? slightly proximal to the insertion of the MCL?”

Answer: “slightly proximal to the insertion of the MCL” is appropriate. We inserted this phrase. (Page 8, Line 8-9)

Comment 2: please add: "... the absolute anatomical reduction and meticulous repair of the ..."

Answer: We added the word, “meticulous”. (Page 11, Line 13)

Response to Reviewer #2

We wish to express our appreciation to the reviewer #2 for the insightful comments on our manuscript. The comments have helped us significantly improve the manuscript.

The comments which we should reply and our answers are as follows;

Comment 1: Title. Could be (Surgical treatment for combined ACL and PCL avulsion fractures: a case report)

Answer: We changed the title. (Page 1, Line 4)

Comment 2: Abstract. The abstract summarize and reflect the work described in the manuscript, however, Page 3, Line 14: fixation of huge fracture according to the author's expression by a single screw cannot be described as a rigid fixation, stable fixation could be more appropriate

Answer: We replaced the word “rigid” with “stable”. (Page 3, Line 14)

3 Keywords. The keywords reflect the focus of the manuscript. (対応不要)

4 Background. Adequate with a good knowledge gap (対応不要)

5 Case presentation. The details of the patient were thoroughly described. (対応不要)

Comment 6: Treatment. Page 7, line 12: Was the procedure done in one session or as a staged procedure? type of anesthesia, tourniquet use was not described.

Answer: Surgical treatment was performed one session. We inserted the sentence. (Page 7, Line 12-13)

Comment 7: Page 7, line 18 What is the type of (strong) sutures? What is the technique of suturing?

Answer: “Strong suture” is not a special technique but a suture of “strong” material. We replaced it with the trade name of suture. (Page 8, Line 3)

if there is an arthroscopic photo for the avulsion fracture and its repair it will be of value

Answer: Unfortunately, we do not have any arthroscopic photographs for the avulsion fracture and its repair.

Page 8, line 7:- I guess we can use a more humble word when the postoperative x-ray is described, could be Postoperative plain radiographs revealed satisfactory reduction and fixation

Answer: We changed the sentence. (Page8, Line 10 and Page 17, Line 8)

How long was the surgery if done as a single-stage? the interval between both procedures if done as a staged procedure?

Answer: As described above, we performed the surgery as a one session. (Page 7, Line 12) We inserted the operation time of posterior and anterior part of surgery, 72 min and 83 min, respectively. (Page 7, Line 14 and Page 8, Line 1-2)

Page 9, Line 5:- What is the reason for a second look arthroscopy? and why the screw was removed if the patient has 100/100 Lysholm score?

Answer: Since the patient hoped to remove the screw, we removed it and performed second look arthroscopy at the same time.

7 Discussion. Very well written (対応不要)

Comment 8: Illustrations and tables. The table is excellent, more intraoperative photos and a clinical photo for the patient would be very good

Answer: Unfortunately, we do not have any additional photographs with more information for presentation.

9 References. Adequate and most of them are up-to-date (対応不要)

Comment12: Quality of manuscript organization and presentation. Very good presentation with acceptable language, only minor punctuation are required

Answer: We received “native check” again.