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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 7183-review.doc).

Title: Ablative Laser Assisted Topical Delivery of Antifibrotics in the Management of Cicatricial Ectropion

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

- (1) Response to reviewer 02734879: thank you for your time in reviewing our manuscript and recommendation of acceptance of our manuscript.
- (2) Response to reviewer 00505215: to our knowledge, the use of ablative lasers in the delivery of antifibrotics has not been used in the management of cicatricial ectropion. Therefore, in our review article, we were only able to discuss candidate agents for antifibrotics and the theoretical treatment mechanisms and effects. Although our practice does treat cicatricial ectropion with solely ablative laser, we do not use antifibrotics and therefore can not provide any photos.
- (3) Response to reviewer 02733084: as a clarification, the purpose of this manuscript is to serve as a review article that summarizes current treatment options for cicatricial ectropion. It does discuss the possible benefits of using antifibrotics in addition to ablative lasers in the treatment of cicatricial ectropion; however, as a review article, it should provide a summary of the current scientific literature instead of describing the result of an experiment. Additionally, to the authors' knowledge, the use of ablative lasers in the delivery of antifibrotics has not been used in the management of cicatricial ectropion. No scientific studies exist on this topic. Therefore, the authors are unable to discuss experimental evidence or data to draw scientific conclusions because no current studies exist.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Ophthalmology*.

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