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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Major comments: 1) In these two UCB-MNCs-related clinical trial study (Morteza, et al. 2022; Limin, et al. 2019), they tested efficacy and safety of umbilical cord mesenchymal stem cell therapy as well and efficacy and safety were assessed at least 12 months. On the other review article that published by Jaydeep (Jaydeep, et al, 2022) pointed out the follow-up should be extended to more than 2 years of this treatment in future study. Based on these previous studies, therefore, the follow-up in this clinical trial was less than one year and it might not enough period of time to demonstrate the therapy is viable and safe. Please clarify it. 2) Although there were no control group in this study, authors should compare the efficacy of UCB-MSCs with other forms of treatment for knee OA at least. Otherwise, it is difficult to identify the efficacy. Please clarify it. 3) In discussion section, authors talked about the issue of UCB-MSCs injections interval of one month and allogeneic cells cannot survive in the host joint for a long time, and allogeneic bone marrow MSCs can survive for up to four weeks after intra-articular injection. However, UCB-MSCs had been reported that have high proliferation, did authors checked UCB-MSCs viability and effectiveness between two injection intervals, especially the injection numbers of cell were higher? Minor comments 1) There were no references cited on the paragraph "UCB-MNCs were directly isolated from umbilical cord blood with low immunogenicity, non-invasive acquisition, and amplification without in vitro culture." of page 3. Please add the references. 2) The last paragraph in introduction, "in particular, it has not been reported in the treatment of KOA. The purpose of this study was to investigate the efficacy and safety of human UCB-MNCs in



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### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

This is a retrospective study focusing on Anterior approach for total hip arthroplasty. Overall, this is a repeating research which focuses on the complications and compares the results with previous studies. To better illustrate the points proposed by the paper, I suggest two issues to be added. First, please make correlation analysis to figure out potential risk factors for the poor outcome, based on the Table 1. Second, this is a study with long time period. Are there more than one senior surgeons conducting the procedures? Please clarify this and, when necessary, add related analysis, description and discussion.