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Dear Editor,



Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: Final_March 21_2014_Hasan_A handy review of carpal tunnel syndrome.doc).

Title: A handy review of carpal tunnel syndrome: from anatomy to diagnosis and treatment

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

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewers and journal editorial:

- (1) Reviewer 1's Comment: Please add the phrase Wormser's test (this is synonymous with "reverse Phalen test" at the bottom of the page 18 and add the reference "Wormser P. Das Karpaltunnelsyndrom. Fortsch Neurol Psych 1950;18:211-24." This test is described at the same year as Phalen's test and it's a logical choice in the clinical diagnosis of carpal tunnel syndrome from pathophysiological view.

Response to the comments: The phrase "Wormser's test" has been added, and the reference, "Wormser P. Das Karpaltunnelsyndrom. Fortsch Neurol Psych 1950;18:211-24." has been included. Please reference 75 in the revised final manuscript.

- (2) Reviewer 2's Comments: That's a well designed and written review. Recent studies that I added below may give new information to the readers (especially to the non surgical treatment part), so it would be better for the author to check out these references. Grammar and writing errors must be checked out, and pages must be designed according to the journal's rules.

References: 1- Effects of steroid with repetitive procaine HCl injection in the management of carpal tunnel syndrome: An ultrasonographic study. J Neurol Sci. 2012 May 15;316(1-2):76-8.

2- Triamcinolone acetonide vs procaine hydrochloride injection in the management of carpal tunnel syndrome: Randomized placebo-controlled study. J Rehabil Med. 2012 Jun 7;44(7):601-4.

Response to the comments: References 1 and 2 have been cited in the text. Please see references 118 and 119 in the revised final manuscript.

The manuscript has been thoroughly revised for grammars, syntax, typos etc. A word file with track changes showing all the changes made in the manuscript is submitted as supporting document.

The pages have been designed / formatted according to journal's rules.

- (3) Editor's Comments: Please give the city and postcode. Telephone and fax should consist of +, country number, district number and telephone or fax number. Please put the reference numbers in square brackets in superscript at the end of citation content or after the cited author's name. Please check across the text.


Response to the Comments: city and postcodes have been provided. Telephone and Fax numbers have been provided appropriately. Reference numbers have been updated according to the reference style of the journal. The numbers have been provided in square brackets in superscript at the end of citation content or after the cited author's name.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Please note that there have been some changes in the authors' list and the corresponding author. The current list presents the most appropriate list based on contribution.

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

Sincerely yours,



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