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Dear Editor,

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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 reviewers

(Reviewer 00505843) *"the manuscript needs some corrections; ie. what is the galolinium?? may be gadolinium?"*

Answer: Firstly, we would like to thank the reviewer for his/her correction. We have now modified "galolinium" with the correct word "gadolinium".

(Reviewer 00460875) *"The Authors wrote in the "Introduction" that, in addition to the hands, sacroiliac joints are used for evaluation of rheumatoid arthritis with conventional radiography. This datum should be clarified, because imaging of sacroiliac joints is indicated for the evaluation of ankylosing spondylitis and spondyloarthropathies in which those joints can be involved"*

Answer: Again, we are extremely grateful for the reviewer`s important comments. We have now corrected this sentence and removed the phrase that mentioned imaging of sacroiliac joints.

3) References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,

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