

Reply Letter

Dear Professor Baogan Peng and the Editorial Board of World Journal of Orthopedics,

Please find enclosed the revised manuscript: "Calcaneal Osteochondroma Masquerading As Plantar Fasciitis – An Approach To Plantar Heel Pain and Case Report" authored by Don Koh et al., to be submitted as a Case Report to World Journal of Orthopedics for consideration for publication.

We have made the following changes:

Reviewer 1:

"This case report is interesting and educational. The readers should be alerted of this rare situation in case of persistent heel pain."

Reviewer 2:

"The authors provide a case description of a unique patient who presented with a-typical results of intervention for plantar heel pain, then the patient was later diagnosed with osteochondroma. This is an important case to share with colleagues so similar cases can be detected and treated sooner. Overall, the paper was very well written. I have a few minor comments that are writing-related and not content related."

in paragraph 2 of the case description, the patient had the "absence of ankle osteoarthritis". How was this determined? We added the following, "Foot and calcaneal radiographs showed normal bony relationships of the foot with no features of arthritis." Under the section Imaging examinations.

Were films taken? Yes. Ankle films were taken.

in paragraph 3 of the case description there is conflicting verb tense. please change "revealed" to "reveal". Change of verb tense from "revealed" to "reveal".

In paragraph 1 of the discussion, please change "this patient has" to "this patient had" in order to make this statement past tense. "Statement tense amended. "this patient has" was changed to "this patient had".

The authors have made the amendments as advised by the reviewers. In addition, we formatted the manuscript as instructed. We have also attached the audio clip as requested. We hope that by doing this, we can expedite the publication of this manuscript. We believe that our findings will be of interest to the readers of your journal and would influence practice.

We hope that the editorial board and the reviewers will agree on the interest of this study.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Don Koh on behalf of the authors.

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