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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The word 'None syndrome' should be replaced with 'non syndromic'. The manuscript is written well and I recommend it for publication.

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## COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a report of a well conducted study. The pattern of tooth agenesis in patients with or without upper cervical spine anomalies was investigated and presented. However, from a clinical point of view I'm more interested to know whether patient with cervical spine anomalies are more (or less) prone to hypodontia. For this the authors need to look into the records of their patients with cervical spine anomalies but no hypodontia, and to make major revision in their manuscript. Having added that would make this report much more complete and more scientifically significant.

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This manuscript is quite interesting and might be a contribution to the orthodontic literature. Important: The redaction of the aim in the abstract should be modified... Please look at the final part of the introduction and make it similar for better understanding.

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There are certain modifications which I would suggest for this manuscript. 1) What is the exclusion criteria employed in the study design 2) The authors are requested to elaborate on the method of registration of tooth agenesis. This is important in the mixed dentition stage when some of the permanent teeth would not have erupted in the oral cavity. Did the authors consider the presence/absence of tooth bud in these cases? 3) Do the authors suggest a cause-effect relationship between tooth agenesis and cervical spine deviations? or is it a chance finding? 4) In the conclusion the authors mentioned that the results of this study may be valuable in the early diagnosis and treatment planning of non syndromic children with tooth agenesis. Kindly elaborate