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Dear Science Editor:

We wish to re-submit the manuscript titled **“Dorsal approach for isolated volar fracture-dislocation of the base of the second metacarpal: A case report”** The manuscript ID is 86411.

We thank you and the reviewers for your thoughtful suggestions and insights. The manuscript has benefited from these insightful suggestions. I look forward to working with you and the reviewers to move this manuscript closer to publication in the *World Journal of Clinical Cases*.

The manuscript has been rechecked and the necessary changes have been made in accordance with your suggestions. The responses to all comments have been prepared and given below.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
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Our point-by-point response to all comments and suggestions is listed below:

Comment 1:

The manuscript has been edited, but there are still some problems to be solved. -----1. Before final acceptance, uniform presentation should be used for figures showing the same or similar contents; for example, “Figure 1 Pathological changes of atrophic gastritis after treatment. A: ...; B: ...; C: ...; D: ...; E: ...; F: ...; G: ...”.

Response 1: We thank you for this suggestion. Accordingly, we maintained uniform presentation of figures showing similar contents. We merged Figures 1, 2, 3, and 4 into Figure 1 (A, 1B, 1C, and 1D) and rephrased their figure legends into: “Figure 1 Initial imaging examinations. A: The initial anteroposterior radiograph shows a displaced fracture fragment between the bases of the second and third metacarpals; B: The initial lateral radiograph shows the fragment lying over the volar aspect of the carpometacarpal joint; C: Coronal view of the initial reformatted multiplanar computed tomography image shows that approximately one-third of the carpometacarpal joint surface of the second metacarpal is damaged; D: Horizontal view of the initial computed tomography image shows small avulsion fragments on the dorsal aspect of the second to fourth metacarpal bases (white arrows).

We also changed Figure 5 into Figure 2.

In addition, we merged Figures 6a, 6b, and 7 into Figure 3 (A, 3B, and 3C) and rephrased the legends into: Figure 3 Postoperative radiographs. A: Anteroposterior postoperative radiograph shows that the fragment is reduced to its anatomical position and stabilized using Kirschner wires.

B: Oblique postoperative radiograph shows that the fragment is reduced to its anatomical position and stabilized using Kirschner wires. C: Anteroposterior radiograph at postoperative 12 wk shows union of the second metacarpal fragments.

Comment 2:

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Response 2: We thank you for this suggestion. Accordingly, we revised these indicated parts.

Comment 3:

Please complete all the revisions based on the version of "1677-86411-v1", so that I can check later, and upload above mentioned files in a ".zip" file.

Response 3:

We thank you for this suggestion. Accordingly, we completed all revisions based on this version and uploaded these mentioned files into a "zip" file.