

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors present a very interest and rare case of a compound heterozygous mutation of MUSK that caused FADS as an important addition to the MUSK gene mutation database. However, a number of issues need to be addressed: 1. The title should be



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modified as genetic analysis was performed in only one of the fetuses, so the the genetic abnormality in the other fetus is probable but not proven 2. Therefore, in line 37 ....that caused FADS...should be rephrased to "in 1 fetus and possibly in her sibling" 3. Also, in line 46 the words ....fetal hydrops ..."of the fetal face and neck" should be ommited 4. in line 79-80...if FAD is suspected...the phrase "a prenatal diagnosis should be performed" should be deleted from the text I also took the liberty to make some linguistic corrections and the revised manuscript has been attached. Yours sincerely

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