

# PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Language quality	[Y] Grade A: Priority publishing [] Grade B: Minor language polishing [] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<ul> <li>[ ] Accept (High priority) [Y] Accept (General priority)</li> <li>[ ] Minor revision [ ] Major revision [ ] Rejection</li> </ul>
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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS** Well written



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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Dear editor and authors, The authors reported their successful experience of treating a delayed union of clavicle fracture by applying low-intensity extracorporeal shock wave therapy (LI-ESWT). This is a very interesting approach to raise awareness of using this non-invasive tool as an alternative to surgery in the treatment of delayed union of clavicle fracture. Nevertheless, I recommend the following amendments. In Abstract, CASE SUMMARY, mo should be expanded as months. Avoid using abbreviations in In main text elsewhere, you may use mo as abbreviation, but it should be abstract. expanded the first time it appears in the main text. I appreciate that an informed consent was obtained from the patient. An approval from the institutional review board and ethics committee should also be presented. Please include your institution with approval number in the ethical approval statement in the revised text. In Abstract, CASE SUMMARY, you stated "radial, 0.06mJ/mm2, 3Hz, 3000 shocks". However, in TREATMENT, you stated "The therapeutic parameter was 0.057 mJ/mm2, radial pattern, 3 Hz and 3000 strikes." These descriptions were inconsistent. What actual dose did you use? Why did you choose the specific dose and sessions? Please discuss my aforementioned concerns in details. The demonstrated case was a victim suffering from midshaft clavicle fracture. Please reflect this in your title to be more specific as distal clavicle fracture may lead to a different story. The follow-up time for this patient was 7mo. Please comment on length of follow-up time. In CASE PRESENTATION, Chief complaints, collarbone should be two separate words. To my knowledge, VAS: pain scale - Units: mm?



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Dear authors, The authors reported a case of delayed healing of a clavicle fracture treated with LI-ESWT. Although the manuscript is well written, it is unclear whether LI-ESWT was effective in this case. The reviewer feels that the patient may have been cured by plating alone without LI-ESWT. The author showed the images after 3 months. In fact, there is a clear gap around the fracture site, which is common with plate fixation. If Figure D had been a radiograph at 6-month follow-up, I think it would have added more credibility to the efficacy of the LI-ESWT.