

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Manuscript NO: 44676

Title: Adolescent Lisfranc injury treated with TightRope™: A case report and review of literature

Reviewer's code: 03727329

Reviewer's country: Germany

Science editor: Fang-Fang Ji

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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language	(High priority)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good	polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept	<input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer's expertise on the
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Do not	language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision	topic of the manuscript:
publish	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advanced
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> General
			<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Could you please describe more on the surgical technique and the results of the TightRope technique described for cases in adults's Lisfranc injuries. Could you please describe precisely, how you treated such childrens cases in the past? Did you see some



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differences at the follow-up? Could you present this within the manuscript? Could describe the outcome and the prognosis of a conservative treatment of such case. The readers needs a more clear understanding of such rare case in childrens! The lietrature review is uncomplete, please provide more informations on the treatment options and its results and complications.

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			Conflicts-of-Interest:
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This paper reports on the first published case of a child with Lisfranc injury, treated with TightRope device. The manuscript is well written and interesting. References are pertinent. Figures are of good quality and illustrative. The paper deserves to be

published, as it introduces a new, apparently better technique, in children. Some comments/suggestions in order to improve the manuscript: 1. Title: a. Contains more than 12 words; please correct. B. Abbreviations (y.o.) should not be used in the title. 2. Please correct "Corespodance to". 3. Abstract: a. Please do not use "it's", but "it is". b. Different treatment options have been described'; please delete ' at the end. 4. Key words: each has to start with a Capital letter 5. Paragraph "Introduction": a. line 132: please replace "Jacques" with Lisfranc, which is his family name b. line 152: Please insert diagnosis and delete "cases" in: "The rate of delayed cases is up to 24%" c. line 154: please replace "there is" with "there are" (data = plural) d. line 160: please write "TightRope" e. line 168: please write "did not" instead of "didn't" f. from line 169: "and thus, our search was narrowed down only in adults' injuries. - to line 179: the text should be used in "Discussion". g. Lines 180-181 are somewhat repeated at the end of Discussion and in the Conclusion. They should be removed from Introduction. h. Instead, Introduction should end with "Herein, we present the first case of" 6. Paragraph "Case presentation": a. Could be divided in Main complaints, History, Physical examination, Imaging examinations, Examination under anesthesia, Surgical therapy, Outcome and Follow-up. b. Lines 193 and 227: please correct to "x-rays" c. Lines 204-205: please correct/clarify "disadvantages/disadvantages of a potential operation". 6. Paragraph "Discussion": a. I suggest starting with lines 245-48: "To the best of our knowledge..." b. The authors could discuss why they decided to use this technique. c. The title mentions that this is also a literature review. Also, the Core Tip states that "A mini literature review is been discussed as well." But, in fact, there is no proper review of the literature. Therefore, I would suggest showing all these data. The authors wrote (line 235) - "There are few studies of Lisfranc injuries in children"; they should be detailed in a table, including the treatment options, results, follow-up etc Also, data in adults should be detailed in another table (studies that were presented briefly in



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the Introduction). 7. References: should be written according to the required style of the journal.

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Please do not use abbreviated words such as "it's" in the first line of the abstract. Punctuation needs to be tightened up. Comment is also required on the varying levels of severity of Lisfranc injury eg divergent type. More detailed comment is required on



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where the technique described would not be appropriate or where it would have to be augmented. Please comment on accepted factors that can affect outcome age initial instability, quality of reduction, etc

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In the abstract you state that there have been no other publications on this injury in childhood but this is not correct, "bunk bed" injury is well described in the USA, and others have reported this problem (Google search). This may be the only "tight rope"



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fixation in this age group reported in the literature but it is used not infrequently in general orthopaedic practise. As a case report this does adequately describe the use of this type of fixation however what are the long term results and in particular the ability of this device to maintain correction in the long term, at least to 12 months? Without this information I believe that it would be premature to publish such a case report.

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