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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 26779-review.doc).

Title: Horizontally root fractured teeth with pulpal vitality – two case reports

Author: Luciano Silva, Pamella Alvares, José Alcides Arruda, Leni Verônica Silva, Cleomar Rodrigues, Ana Paula Sobral, Marcia Silveira

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

- 1 Format has been updated
- 2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) Well structured but need to improve references and related with similar clinical cases

Reply: The referenced were up to date and corrected as required for the better reading of the paper.

- (2) References and typesetting were corrected as a reviewer my suggestions to the author are:
- 1- Please complete the title to illustrate the type/ direction of fracture in root. As you better know "Fractured roots" is a general term including vertical or horizontal root fractures, while the cases are Horizontal root fractures. 2- case report 1, Line 5: What do you mean by "What concerns coloration"? (highlighted) 3- case report 1, Line 12: please explain more about "cicatrical fibrosis" and differential diagnosis with PA lesions in disscution part. 4-Discussion, line 4: the recommended splinting time for Horizontal root fracture is much longer in IADT guidelines and Dental Trauma guide (4 weeks up to 4 months). please add these credible references to the manuscript and double check the splinting time recommended by references 5,6,7!!! Because 7-10 days are quiet short time for splinting a root fractured root. 5-It's better to add some references, which describe the outcome for those root-fractured teeth, underwent orthodontic treatment. Because it is very important to

know how to move a fractured root.

Reply:

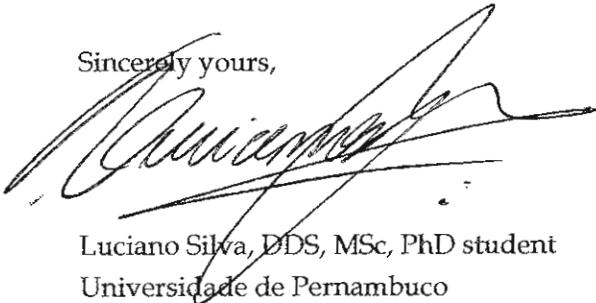
- 1- The title has been changed accordingly.
- 2- It has been corrected. What we meant to say is that the tooth underwent color change by getting darkened.
- 3- Cicatricial fibrosis can be defined as a fibrosis that happens as a result of a cicatrix. The term cicatricial can be found in the work of Perdanasari et al. entitled: **Intralesional injection treatment of hypertrophic scars and keloids: a systematic review regarding outcomes.**
- 4- A mistake was committed by us and the due correction has been made.
- 5- The corrections have been made accordingly.
- 6- References have been added accordingly.

(3) Some comments relative to prevalence and clinical relevance of this pathology should be added to the introduction. Complications, costs and morbidity of interventional therapy should be commented in the discussion. There are some language errors.

Reply: The suggested comments were added in the paper.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Radiology*.

Sincerely yours,



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I was reading that all I think the paper can be accepted only one additional condition the authors should include at least one figure and on table more

Reply: As requested, were included in the paper one more photo and a table for better understanding of the reader.

Has changed the mailing address of Cleomar Rodrigues. Please consider this change.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luciano Silva', is positioned above the contact information for the author.

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