

Dear Scientific Editor and Reviewer,

We would like to thank you for your time and effort to review our submitted case report to journal WJO. Based on your feedback, we believe that quality of the work has remarkably improved. Please final a point-by point response to your concerns.

**1. Scientific quality:**

Point- point responses to issues raised by reviewer are presented.

**2. Language quality**

The manuscript is written and edited by Dr. Ader who is an American born English speaking

**3. Special requirement for figures:**

The figures were completely modified, and the quality of the figures were significantly increased

**4. Special requirements for tables**

Tables were modified to reflect the feedback from the reviewer.

**5. Special requirement for references**

Available PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers are provided in the reference list beginning with the PMID numbers and all authors are listed. In-text citation are by Arabic numerals in square brackets and superscripted and are numbered in correct order.

**6. Ethical documents:**

The approved consent form is attached with the original submission.

**7. Approved grant application form(s) or funding agency copy of any approved document(s)**

The approved grant application form is now attached.

## **8. Issues raised and solution**

- 1. In the introduction part of the abstract, IBT has a long term effect on bone mineral content (BMC)...and body composition. Please specify which body composition-specified as percentage fat mass and lean body mass in the background section of the abstract.**

Thank you for your point. This has been clearly specified in the case summary that we are primarily interested in studying the changes in legs % fat mass and lean mass. These are the primary sites that are commonly experience deleterious changes as characterized by increasing % fat mass and skeletal muscle atrophy after SCI.

- 2. Please supplement the treatment process of participants and matched participants to avoid bone health and body composition affected by other factors**
- 3. It is recommended to replace Case Match 1 because of age and time of Injury.** Case Match 1 is necessary because it cast a picture of how the Case's bone structure would have been at the time of injury and Case Match 2 compliments that by showing us what the changes in bone structures in the Case would have looked like were he not to have been on IBT.
- 4. The article should carry out a more in-depth description of each part.** Introduction section has been expanded-see lines 93-97; 102-104; 122-129; 135-140-discussion section-see lines 405-411
- 5. The language logic of this paper needs to be further strengthened, and the parts of the articles are closely linked.** The manuscript has been edited and presented in a logical sequence
- 6. Some references cited in the articles are outdated and should refer to some new articles to show the research results for readers.** Reference cited have s been updated, however, the reference related to the protocol used in the analysis has been maintained since those are the original authors.

## Editorial Office's Comments

Issues raised:

1. **Title is more than 20 words**
  - Title has been edited to 20 words maximum
2. I found no author contribution section. Please provide author contribution
  - a. **I fon-1<sup>st</sup> author**
    - literature review
    - chart review of case
    - wrote the entire manuscript except the procedure and analysis section
    - collated the references
  - b. **Mina**
    - brushed scanned image and provided figures and legends for the manuscript
    - contributed to the procedure and analysis section
  - c. **Davis**
    - wrote the procedure and analysis section
  - d. **Khalil**
    - performed DXA imaging and provided imaging data
  - e. **Gorgey**
    - conceived the idea
    - contributed to the discussion section
    - Edited manuscript
    - Provided funding for the current study
  - f. **Adler**
    - **contributed to writing**
    - proof read the final manuscript
3. I found the authors did not provide the approved grant application form(s)  
The approved grant application form is now included.
4. I found that the authors did not provide original figures
  - a. Original figures are included in the manuscript
5. I found that the authors did not add the PMID and DOI in the reference list
  - a. PMID and DOIs have been added in the reference list where available
6. I found that the case presentation did not meet our requirements. Please re-write the case presentation section and add Final diagnosis.
  - The case presentation section has been written following required format.
  - Please see "case presentation" section.

