

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank you for accepting to reconsider our manuscript titled: "Surgical Treatment Outcome of Painful Traumatic Neuroma of the Infrapatellar Branch of Saphenous Nerve During Total Knee Arthroplasty" for publication in the World Journal of Orthopedics.

We would also like to thank the reviewers for their insightful comments. All points raised are addressed and the manuscript was revised according to their suggestions. For reviewing purposes, the comments have been addressed one by one.

In more detail:

Reviewer #1:

Comment: You propose surgery only after failure of the non-surgical treatment. Your 15 operated patients represent what percentage of those having presented a symptomatology of neuroma? indeed, for how many patients had medical treatment been effective? I think this information is important.

Reply: Thank you for the comment. Data retrieved from hospital medical record system revealed an incidence of 1,4% (twenty-nine patients) of saphenous neuroma formation after primary TKA. Fifteen out of the twenty-nine symptomatic patients did not successfully respond to conservative treatment and underwent surgical excision of the painful neuroma. This information has been added in Materials-Methods section of the article

Comment: In the discussion part you write "nine of our patients" in the description of Cendenen et al study. Maybe "their patients"?

Reply: Thank you for comment. The sentence has been corrected accordingly.

Science Editor:

Comment: The title is too long, and it should be no more than 18 words.

Reply: Thank for your comment. The title has been edited accordingly.

Comment: The authors did not provide original pictures. Please provide the original figure documents. Please prepare and arrange the figures using PowerPoint to ensure that all graphs or arrows or text portions can be reprocessed by the editor.

Reply: The original figures have been inserted in a PowerPoint file and submitted with the revision files.

Comment: The “Article Highlights” section is missing. Please add the “Article Highlights” section at the end of the main text.

Reply: The “Article Highlights” section has been added at the end of the main text.

Once again, we would like to thank you and the reviewers for your time and effort. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any further clarifications and corrections regarding the submitted Manuscript.

Yours sincerely,
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