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RESPONSE TO REVIEWERS

Name of journal: World Journal of Clinical Pediatrics

Manuscript NO: 40490

Title: Innovation for rare diseases and bioethical concerns: a thin thread between medical progress and suffering

Reviewer's code: 00742205

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors have wisely chosen 3 cases to discuss about the ethical issues in taking care of patients with inborn rare genetic disorders. With the detailed story, readers can easily pick up the essence of the bioethical issues. Good reference for pediatricians who take care of similar patients.

RESPONSE: we thank reviewer #00742205 for his evaluation

Reviewer's code: 03253728

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

It is a well written manuscript. There are minor grammatical errors such as lesson learnt is written as lesson learned. I feel that it may be edited a bit to make it more concise. At present it is somewhat lengthy. The discussion about Alfie may not be needed in conclusion. I feel that it should focus only on the cases mentioned and the relation between the choices available and made for the patient, and what could have been the best at that point of time. This may then be generalized.



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RESPONSE: we corrected minor grammatical errors. We shortened the manuscript by deleting the last discussion about Alfie, as suggested by the reviewer #03253728

Reviewer's code: 00503255

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This editorial is well-written and has important messages regarding innovation for rare diseases and bioethical concerns.

RESPONSE: we thank reviewer #00503255 for his evaluation