

Reviewer 1

Specific Comments to Authors: The study explored new indication for ADSC injection, achieved satisfactory clinical outcomes. Following questions need to be addressed before publication: 1. The manuscript is in need of language polishing. **We polished the language by double checking with a native English speaker** 2. The full name of aAMSCs is not accurate in introduction. **We revised the full name as you suggested** 3. Disagreeing results were observed in table 2, where the AOFAS pain score remained “30” at 6 months and 9 months follow-up while the VAS score improved greatly (7-5-0). **The disagreeing results are related to the different design of the two scores. In fact, while VAS generally evaluates the pain complained by the patients in the previous 24 hours, the AOFAS pain item refers to a less accurate time frame. According to the AOFAS , our patient reported only an occasional pain, while none at the time of the last follow-up.** 4. Figure 1 is missing in the manuscript I downloaded

(1) Science editor: 1 Scientific quality: The manuscript describes a case report of the hallux rigidus treated with adipose-derived mesenchymal stem cells. The topic is within the scope of the WJO. (1) Classification: Grade B; (2) Summary of the Peer-Review Report: The study explored new indication for ADSC injection, achieved satisfactory clinical outcomes. However, there are some issues should be addressed. The manuscript is in need of language polishing. Figure 1 is missing in the manuscript. The questions raised by the reviewers should be answered; and (3) Format: There are 2 tables and 1 figure. A total of 20 references are cited, including 6 references published in the last 3 years. There are 3 self-citations. 2 Language evaluation: Classification: Grade C. 3 Academic norms and rules: The authors provided the the signed Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Form and Copyright License Agreement, written informed consent. The authors need to fill out the CARE Checklist–2016 with page numbers. No academic misconduct was found in the CrossCheck detection and Bing search. 4 Supplementary comments: This is an unsolicited manuscript. The topic has not previously been published in the WJO. The corresponding author has not published articles in the BPG. 5 Issues raised: (1) I found the language classification was grade C. Please visit the following website for the professional English language editing companies we recommend: <https://www.wjgnet.com/bpg/gerinfo/240>; **We polished the language by double checking with a native English speaker** (2) I found no “Author contribution” section. Please provide the author contributions; **We added an author contribution section at the end of the manuscript** (3) Figure 1 is missing in the manuscript. 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; (4) I found the authors did not add the PMID and DOI in the reference list. Please provide the PubMed numbers and DOI citation numbers to the reference list and list all authors of the references. Please revise throughout; and (5) I found the “Case Presentation” did not meet our requirements. Please re-write the “Case Presentation” section, and add “FINAL DIAGNOSIS”, “TREATMENT”, and “OUTCOME AND FOLLOW-UP” section to the main text, according to the Guidelines and Requirements for Manuscript Revision. **We revised the case presentation section as you suggested** 6 Re-Review: Required. 7 Recommendation: Conditionally accepted..