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Reviewer 1:

The novelty of this manuscript is unclear. The introduction does not set up the setting and how this manuscript adds up to preexisting literature. There is no rationale in the background why the reader would be interested in the presented information. IN addition throughout the manuscript there are no summary tables and figures that compare prior studies and the published evidence with regard to the presented information. The text could be significantly reduced and replaced by summary figures and tables as above. The images are nice but do not really add much to this review that would benefit more from summary figures and tables that summarize the evidence based approach. Overall incomplte and biased review of the literature

Reviewer 2:

While I feel this article is important and should be published, there are significant issues as far as unsubstantiated opinions without references. This paper should be published only after taking into consideration my comments.

Dear Reviewers and Editor,

While I appreciate your comments I believe there has been a misunderstanding with the Editorial Office. I was INVITED to write an editorial on a specific topic. This paper was NOT meant to be a review, but rather considerations of treatment based on the authors' extensive experience.