

## ANSWERING REVIEWERS



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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 5770-edited (download)).

**Title:** The Painful Sesamoid of the Great Toe

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1. The title is changed from "Sesamoids of the great toe: a review of pathology"
2. Author first names were added
3. Author contributions were added
4. A Fax number has been added
5. Abstract word count is increased
6. Further key words were added
7. A "core tip" has been provided.
8. Reference numbers have been reformatted.
9. Subtitles have been removed "the painful sesamoid" or edited to italics
10. Figure 1 has been changed to a decomposable figure.
11. All references have either pubmed index or DOI added and where possible - and in most cases both. A copy of the first page of the abstract is provided where pubmed index is not available.

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Orthopaedics*.

Yours Sincerely,  
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**List to accompany references without PMID reference.**

Sesamoids of the foot

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Current Orthopaedics 1 February 2005 (volume 19 issue 1 Pages 40-48 DOI: 10.1016/j.cuor.2005.01.001)

Sesamoids are inter-tendinous bones and the constant ones are the medial and lateral sesamoids of the first metatarsophalangeal joint. Accessory sesamoids occur elsewhere and are rare. Sesamoiditis, infection, fracture and bipartite sesamoid are the common associated conditions. Treatment should be conservative in the first instance. Sesamoidectomy may be necessary but removal of both big toe sesamoids is contra-indicated.

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Heim, M., Y. Siev-Ner, et al. (1997). "Metatarsal-phalangeal sesamoid bones." Current Orthopaedics **11**(4): 267-270.

The metatarso-phalangeal sesamoid bones in the foot are a cause of a great deal of forefoot pain. Their importance should be reported in the medical literature due to damage that is caused by direct trauma and sport. Five case reports each highlight different etiological causes, and the discussion presents an outline for objective management: conservative and surgical.