

May 26, 2015

Dear Editor,

Enclosed please find our revised edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 17317-review.doc) as requested.

Title: Florid reactive periostitis ossificans of the humerus: Case report and differential diagnosis of periosteal lesions of the long bones.

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Name of Journal: *World Journal of Orthopaedics*

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

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) **Running title: A short running title of less than 6 words should be provided.**

Response: a running title (reactive periostitis ossificans of the humerus) has now been provided in the revised manuscript.

(2) **Please offer post code:**

Response: the American zip code has been included in the revision.

(3) **Core tip: Summary of <100 words to outline the most innovative and important arguments and core contents in your paper to attract readers.**

Response: a core summary has been included in the revision, as requested.

(4) **IRB/Informed consent/Conflict-of-interest**

Response: The requested information has now been included in the revised manuscript.

(5) **Please offer the introduction. Thank you!**

Response: The introduction has been added in the revision.

(6) **D:20150519084201 Please put the reference numbers in square brackets in superscript before the end. Please check across the text.**

Response: The format of references has been changed to meet this request.

(7) **D:20150519084234 Writing requirements for each subsection (1) Case characteristics Please summarize main symptoms in one sentence.**

(2) Clinical diagnosis Please summarize main clinical findings in one sentence. (3) Differential diagnosis Please summarize thoughts and methods for differential diagnosis in one sentence. (4) Laboratory diagnosis Please summarize laboratory testing methods and major findings in one sentence. (5) Imaging diagnosis Please summarize imaging methods and major findings in one sentence. (6) Pathological diagnosis Please summarize pathological methods and major findings in one sentence. (7) Treatment Please summarize treatments and drugs used in one sentence. (8) Related reports Please provide other contents related to the case report to help readers better understand the present case. (9) Term explanation Please explain uncommon terms present in the case report. (10) Experiences and lessons Please summarize experiences and lessons learnt from the case in one sentence.

Response: All the required elements have been added to this revision.

(8) **D:20150519084244 Please add PubMed citation numbers and DOI citation to the reference list and list all authors. Please provide PubMed citation numbers for the reference list, e.g. PMID and DOI, which can be found at <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/entrez?db=pubmed> and <http://www.crossref.org/SimpleTextQuery/>, respectively. The numbers will be used in the E-version of this journal. Thanks very much for your co-operation.**

Response: All the required information has been included in the revision.

(9) **D:20150519084332 please offer figure legend for figures 1-4. Thank you!**

Response: The figure legends have been added to the revision.

(10) *D:20150519084128+08'00'5 Please offer the audio core tip.*

Response: The audio clip has been submitted separately.

Having made all the requested changes, we look forward to the appearance of our manuscript in the World Journal of Orthopedics.

Sincerely,

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