Dear Sir/Sirs,

Our clinical study

Ilizarov bone transport combined with the Masquelet technique for bone defects of various etiologies (preliminary results)

is based on a developed protocol of combining the Ilizarov bone transport and the Masquelet technique for posttraumatic bone defect and CPT. This is a new technical solution, and we present preliminary results. The topic has potential for further research. All adult patients and children’s parents gave informed consent to surgical treatment and inclusion into the study. The study was approved by the Ethics board of our institution.

We confirm that the manuscript contains original material, has not been published elsewhere and is not under review in any journal. Descriptive statistics was used in the study, mean values and their deviations were calculated with Microsoft Excel software. We did not compare the groups as their etiology was different.

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