



PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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SCIENTIFIC QUALITY	LANGUAGE QUALITY	CONCLUSION	PEER-REVIEWER STATEMENTS
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publish	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advanced
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> General
			<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript is a retrospective comparison between two Functional Physiotherapy methods (FPM): Robert Debré (RD) and Saint-Vincent-de-Paul (SVP) approaches. 71 idiopathic clubfeet (34 RD treated and 37 SVP treated) were evaluated and classified according to severity by the Dimeglio-Bensahel scale. The authors concluded that SVP



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method achieves prolonged correction of deformities more efficiently than the RD method. Comment 1: The Abstract was not included in the Manuscript File as requested in the author's guidelines. Comment 2: In Introduction the authors should report alternative FPM treatments, as the Ponseti methods, with their advantages and disadvantages. Comment 3: the authors reported only one etiopathogenic theory, the familiar one, citing 3 articles, the first one published in 1972, the second in 1998 and the last one in 2008. Improvement of this paragraph is mandatory, as well as, including the newest knowledge (for example Pavone, Vito, et al. "The etiology of idiopathic congenital talipes equinovarus: a systematic review." Journal of orthopaedic surgery and research 13.1 (2018): 206.) Comment 4: According to Dimeglio-Bensahel scale, the feet were evaluated and then classified using photographs. Is reported in literature the use of scale by photos? the Who did assess the image? Who and When did take the photos? Could Prospective bias influence the evaluations? Comment 5: In the discussion, the authors should include a paragraph about the learning curve of the approaches. Comment 6: Could be interesting for the reader to know the relapse rate of the relapse of the approaches

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I have assessed the paper with the name of "Functional physiotherapy method results for the treatment of idiopathic clubfoot". My opinions are as follows; Title: Main idea is clear and concise. Abstract: Abstract is accurate, coherent and readable. Introduction: Previous pertinent literature cited and discussed. Therefore, introduction is adequate.



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The necessity for the study is clearly indicated. Methods: Study design is appropriate to achieve study aim. Study population clearly and adequately described. Statistical analyses are appropriate and used appropriately. Overall methodology is valid, replicable and understandable. Results: Results are clearly presented and comprehensible. Text did not duplicate the tables. Discussion: Previous pertinent literature was critiqued. The authors demonstrated continuity between present study and previous studies. Similarities and differences to other studies were noted. Limitations of the study have reported. References: References are updated and accurate. Also, references are relevant and comprehensive. They can be reachable from PubMed and Web of Science. Figure and tables are definite, clear and understandable. The article is clearly written, logically organized, interesting and readable.

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