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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors reported their experience on a single case of concomitant fat embolism syndrome (FES), pulmonary embolism (PE) and tympanic membrane perforation after surgery in a patient with a tibiofibular fracture. The manuscript is well written and easy to follow. This finding is quite rare. Some concerns should be addressed by the authors.

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RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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The authors should be congratulated for their revised paper.