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Dear Editor,

Re: “Cemented versus non-cemented hemiarthroplasty of the hip as a treatment for a displaced femoral neck fracture – Design of a randomised controlled trial”

Thank you for your positive response of our manuscript.

We have carefully considered the comments from the reviewer, and changed the manuscript accordingly. The changes in our manuscript are highlighted using red bold text.

On behalf of all authors;

Sincerely yours,

AJH Vochteloo MD

Comments to the reviewer's report:

“I still think this should be an open label study, because the patients may easily know what kind of implants are used on the X-ray, especially when they clearly know two different implants are to be used in the consent form.”

We call the study “single blinded randomised controlled trial” and have added the remark “we acknowledge the possibility that the patients might be able to tell which prosthesis they have received due to seeing their X ray during the outpatient clinic visits” in the manuscript.