Reviewer's report

Title: An unusual case of trans-orbital rod fence stab injury with a good outcome.

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Major Compulsory Revisions

The Authors present a case of transorbital penetrating brain injury that was managed by a multidisciplinary team. However, before acceptance of their case-report some points need to be amended.

What about the angiographic analysis prior to (and after) the surgery? Why the Authors did not perform any?

Several papers have dealt with this topic and some management algorithms have been given. The Authors should add such previous papers on the same subject and discuss the management modalities proposed in the literature.

Among these papers please insert (but non only)

The Authors state repeatedly that the removal of the rod fence was imprudently performed in the Emergency Room but the work in a Neurotrauma Unit, which should take care of these patients with prudence. Can they comment this discrepancy?

The follow-up of one month is too short for analysing the surgical results (late complications?)

The text should also be revised by a native English speaker

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published
Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

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