Author's response to reviews

Title: Subjective outcome related to donor site morbidity after sural nerve graft harvesting: a survey in 41 patients

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Dear Editor,

Concerning manuscript 1247434858844232 – Sequele following the use of the sural nerve for reconstructive surgery with nerve graft.

Hereby we submit our re-revised version of our manuscript based on the valuable comments by the additional third reviewer, which was recently submitted. We would like to respond to the reviewer’s comments as follows (authors´ response in bold and changes made in the manuscript are done in bold italic; the previous changes are still in bold):

Reviewer: Andres Rodriguez-Lorenzo

Reviewer's report:

Minor Revision about the residual symptoms and recovery of sensation as well as a suggestion to divide the patients with a follow up > or < 2 years.

Author´s response:

Since it was only two patients that had a follow up of less than 2 years it was not possible to compare the suggested two groups (< and > 2 years). There was no statistical significant correlation between residual symptoms and the length of the follow up. That new data are included in Results and are also added as short comments at two locations in Discussion (marked as bold italic). It was not possible to specifically test any differences in recovery of sensation as suggested by the reviewer.

We do hope that these changes are sufficient and that our manuscript now is suitable to publish. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely Yours

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