Reviewer's report

Title: Orthodontic treatment of a severe anterior open bite and an alveolar bone defect caused by incisor trauma: A case report

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It is refreshing to read a well written that is well presented. But there are a number of queries that the author should correct before considering the manuscript for publish.

Abstract:
the ankylosed incisor -> the ankylosed maxillary left incisor
the left incisor ->the maxillary left incisor

Background:
In background, the purpose of the study should be presented in the author.

Case presentation:
In general, grammar check is needed.
left incisor-> the maxillary left incisor
left maxillary canine->the maxillary left canine
the left central incisor-> the maxillary left central incisor
the central incisor->the maxillary central incisor

Treatment progress and discussion
This patient had a retruded mandible, a high mandibular plane angle and reverse curve of spee of the mandibular arch. In this case, to minimize the relapse, I think that authors should have used the mechanics with temporary anchorage devices in order not to affect the adjacent teeth rather than the extrusive mechanics with intermaxillary vertical elastics. Authors should discuss the reasons why TADs were not used.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Declaration of competing interests:
'I declare that I have no competing interests'