Reviewer's report

Title: Segmental Correction of Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis by All-Screw Fixation Method in Adolescents and Young Adults Minimum 5 years follow-up with SF-36 Questionnaire

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Dear Editor:

here is my brief response to the authors of "Segmental correction of AIS....":

The authors state that polyaxial screws are utilized predominantly at the apex of the scoliosis to allow for ease of rod insertion. This flies in the face of more common teaching in which monoaxial or uniplanar screws are placed at the apex in order to optimize correctional vectors for torsional correction in particular. Please can they address this comment?

Thank you.
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