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Title: Reinstrumentation for Rapid Curve Progression After Implant Removal Following Posterior Instrumented Fusion in Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis: A Case Report

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Minor Essential Revisions
p4 Line 3: include where Cobb angle was measured from
p4 Line 11: include details of protheses, levels operated and levels of thoracoplasty
p4 Lines 16-18. Is it routine for the authors to remove implants in all patients? If not, this sentence needs to be revised.
p4 Line 18: include where Cobb angle was measured from
p6 Line 5: was T11/12 above or below her previous fusion
p6 Surgery technique: more details required re: the operative technique, navigation technique & protheses used.
pp.6-9: Discussion should be shortened by 1-2 paragraphs
p10: Conclusion should be shortened by half
p10 Line 15: Concluding sentence should be changed to a note of caution; one unfortunate case does not necessarily mean that spinal implants should never be removed in scoliosis as usually recurrence of deformity will not occur.

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