Reviewer’s report

Title: Case report: orthotic treatment of adult scoliosis patients with chronic back pain

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There is still some work to do to make the paper clear and helpful for readers.

Major Compulsory Revisions

The author presented both data from an international survey and from 2 case reports. This is not worth, since these are 2 different studies (the author could write another article of interest about the complete survey). Since the author took the 2 patients from a larger group that completed this survey I suggest to give more details about the population (n° subjects, age, sex, Cobb) and state that from this group only 2 patients were chosen and presented. This should be done in the method section. The results section should report only data about the 2 cases.

The first 2 paragraph still miss references

About the sagittal profile change, since it was not measured, I suggest the author to state that “the improvement was subjectively noted by the author comparing the pictures with and without the brace”. Otherwise it’s not worth to state that there was an improvement.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests