Title: Heterotopic Ossification after Patellar Tendon Repair presenting in Trisomy 8 Mosaicism: a case report and literature review

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To the editors of the Journal of Medical Case Reports:

Extensive revision of this case report was performed in response to the reviewers’ comments. To address Dr. Pereira’s comments, the introduction was completely re-written in a more concise, clear, manner, with an emphasis on the rationale for presenting the case. The description of the case was expanded, and the functional outcome achieved was mentioned. The importance of the issue (the potential connection between trisomy 8 mosaicism and heterotopic ossification) was highlighted and explained. In addition the grammar and language of the paper was edited thoroughly.

Regarding Dr. Ares comments, the trivial error referencing figure four was corrected, and care was taken with the figures. The suggestion that a connection may exist between trisomy 8 mosaicism and heterotopic ossification was carefully re-worded as an opinion, not a statement of fact.

I am confident that all of the comments were addressed thoroughly and appropriately. I believe that the case report in its present form is ready for publication and provides a valuable addition to the literature.

I remain grateful to both of the reviewers for their valuable commentary.

Regards,
-Austin Chen