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Thank you for consideration of our manuscript for publication in your journal.

We have reviewed the manuscript according to your reviewer’s comments. Modifications and clarifications are over reported point by point.

**Editorial Team**

1. Please change the description of the patients gender to male.

   We reviewed the article and the patient’s gender was described as male everywhere. Could you please better explain our mistake?

2. Please include the Ethnicity of the patient in the Abstract and Case presentation sections.

   Patient’s (Caucasian) Ethnicity was added in proper sections.

3. Please change the 'Case Report' section header to 'Case Presentation'.

   The section header was changed.

4. Please include a list of abbreviations used in the manuscript and their meanings after the Conclusions section.

   The list of abbreviations was added.

5. Please include an acknowledgement section at the end of the manuscript before the reference list. Please acknowledge anyone who contributed towards the study by making substantial contributions to conception, design, acquisition of data, or analysis and interpretation of data, or who was involved in drafting the manuscript or revising it critically for important intellectual content, but who does not meet the criteria for authorship. Please also include the source(s) of funding for all authors. Authors should obtain permission to acknowledge from all those mentioned in the Acknowledgements.

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**Reviewer 1 (Dr Claudio Ungari)**

1. In your case, was rejected, by the patient, surgical therapy in favor of physical therapy. It would be useful to focus more attention on the techniques you use, and to compare the advantages and disadvantages with the surgical therapy of choice.

   Description of the physical therapy techniques was added.

2. It would also be interesting to increase news on the diagnosis, and in particular on the clinical differential diagnosis of disorders of the temporomandibular joint in patients with panfacial fractures.
We are sorry but, today, we have no clinical data on disorders of the temporomandibular joint in patients with panfacial fractures; it will be matter of research in the future.

3. Finally, you should better describe the clinical case and its fractures, as not very clear (specifically, how it is reported, seems to be present simultaneously fractures of Le Fort 1, 2 and 3).

The presentation of the clinical case was better described. Specifically were present simultaneously fractures of Le Fort 1, 2 and 3, so the phrase ‘1, 2 and 3 Le Fort’ was changed in ‘associated 1, 2 and 3 Le Fort’.

Reviewer 2 (Dr Öghdf Wefwfr)

1. Authors should add arrows that point myositis ossificans of the lateral pterygoid muscle on related figures in order to improve visuality.

Arrows pointing myositis ossificans are now added on related figures.

2. The manuscript should be thoroughly evaluated by a native speaker. Several syntax errors throughout the text such as 'recurrence' in 'Table 2' should be corrected.

The manuscript was evaluated and reviewed by a native speaker.

3. In 'Discussion' section, one sentence paragraphs such as 'A clinical suspicion of MOT must be supported by radiological findings.' should properly be adhered with related paragraphs in order to establish integrity throughout the 'Discussion' section.

The one sentence paragraph was adhered with related paragraph and little modified so establishing integrity throughout the section.

4. 'References' section should be re-organized in accordance with journal's 'Reference' guideline.

References' section was re-organized in accordance with journal's 'Reference' guideline.

5. In 'Table 2' 'et al.' should be added after author names if the studies of given authors have more than two authors.

‘Author’ column was modified.