Author's response to reviews

Title: A 42-year-old patient presenting with femoral head migration after hemiarthroplasty performed 22 years earlier: a case report

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Dear Editor

Thank you for your letter of November 17, 2014. We have carefully examined the reviewers' comments and are submitting a revised manuscript. I would like to submit the enclosed paper entitled “A 42-year-old patient presenting with femoral head migration after hemiarthroplasty performed 22 years earlier: a case report (Treatment for femoral head migration of a hemiarthroplasty that was performed 22 years previously in a patient at the age of 20 years: a case report) (Journal of Medical Case Reports MS: 1955672938139736) “ to your journal for possible publication. We believe it is the first report of this kind in the literature because of an unexpected event in the course of treating a patient. And it will significantly advance our understanding of a particular disease etiology or mechanism.

And it is an original case report of interest to a particular clinical speciality of medicine. The paper is submitted to be considered for publication as original articles in your journal. This manuscript has not been submitted simultaneously elsewhere. The
responsible author (Akio Kanda) certifies that all the co-authors (K. kaneko, O obayashi, A. Mogami) have seen and agreed to the contents of the manuscript.

Reviewer's report

Title: Treatment for femoral head migration of a hemiarthroplasty that was performed 22 years previously in a patient at the age of 20 years: a case report

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Reviewer: Martyn Parker

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: An unexpected event in the course of observing or treating a patient

If other, please specify:

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: No

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes
Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

This is an interesting case report that I feel is suitable for publication. It presents an unusual case and a description of the appropriate management for this. Overall all appropriate details are included the only comment if the quality of the English language.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

We improved the quality of written English by the professional editing service which you recommended.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests

I hope you will find this manuscript acceptable for publication in your journal.