Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Treatment of chronic anterior shoulder dislocation by open reduction and simultaneous Bankart lesion repair

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Comments to the Author

This manuscript reported the case series of chronic shoulder dislocation treated with open reduction and simultaneous Bankart repair. The authors concluded the results after Bankart lesion repair without the temporary fixation of GHj appears to be more favorable than previously reported studies which have used metallic fixation methods.

Major Compulsory Revisions

1. How long durations of dislocation from injury can be indicated to the method described in this paper. In too long dislocated shoulder, there were some cases in which capsulolabral complexes might disappear. How will the authors treat such cases with the irreparable capsulolabral complex of anterior shoulder?

2. In “Results”, the authors wrote “All the patients were able to do daily activities and there was none to mild pain in this group of patients”. However, below this, “These two patients had mild pain and able to perform daily activities”. In which were these two patients categorized? Please clarify.

Minor Essential Revisions

1. In the figure legend of “Fig.4”, space is necessary between “a” and “65 year old woman”

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.