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Dear Editor,

Please find below a point-by-point response describing what amendments have been made to our manuscript text and where these can be found. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information.

With Kind regards,

Dr Paolo Sollo

Editor Comments:

1. Please move the Declarations sections to after the Discussion and Conclusions section.

Author Response: Declarations section moved to after Discussion and Conclusions (page 8-9)
2. Please note that the Declarations should contain the following sections:

Abbreviations

Ethics approval and consent to participate

Consent for publication

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Author Response: All of the above have been included in the Declarations section (pages 8 – 9)

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Author Response: amendment addressing points 3 and 4 (above): “Consent for publication: Parental consent was given verbally by our patient’s mother for publication of this case study, including case description, medical data and images.” (Section: Declarations, page 8, line 16).

5. Please amend your Availability of data and materials statement, as all of the data is included in the manuscript, please amend it to "All data generated or analysed during this study are included in this published article".

Author Response: amendment addressing point 5 (above): “Availability of data and material: Data sharing is not applicable to this article as no datasets were generated or analysed during the current study. All data generated or analysed during this study are included in this published article” (Section: Declarations, page 9, line 1)
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Author Response: amendment addressing points 6 and 7 (above): “Authors' contributions: In accordance with ICMJE authorship guidelines, each author has had a hand in writing and reviewing the article, which has been approved by all authors:

Paolo Scollo (Ophthalmic Registrar): Lead author

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Rebecca Pollitt (Biomedical scientist): Diagnostic content

Catherine DeVile (Paediatric Neurologist): Clinical content” (Section: Declarations: page 9, line 6).

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Author Response: Supplementary files have been removed

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