Author's response to reviews

Title: Partially absorbed cataractous lens in the anterior chamber revealing neglected severe ocular contusion: a case report

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Reviewer 1

This manuscript describes a case report of a 27 year old female who complained of pain and intermittent injection of the left eye for the past year. Vision was "no light perception" in the left eye and the patient related poor vision in the left eye since late childhood according to the patient's recollection. The clinical examination of the left eye revealed a small amount of "partially absorbed lens material" in the anterior chamber, mild anterior chamber reaction and a total, retinal detachment. The appearance of the retinal detachment by ultrasound was chronic with a tightly closed posterior funnel. Previous trauma was proposed to be the underlying etiology for the abnormalities in the left eye, although the patient denied a history of trauma. While this is an interesting case, this case report does not add to the existing world's literature regarding ocular trauma. The findings are well known potential complications of closed globe injuries.

We thank the Reviewer for reading our manuscript with interest. We agree with him that the findings are known potential complications for closed globe injuries. We report the case for 2 reasons:

Reply

- It has an educational value
It raises the need to continue to educate the population to seek for medical care in case of trauma. Seemingly minor trauma could lead to injuries, which could in turn result in serious visual consequences through retinal detachment.

Reviewer 2

The manuscript is an interesting case report about a young woman showing emblematic ocular features referrable to a neglected previous trauma.

It does not provide new clinical evidence, but it is schematic, instructive and well documented. English language should be improved.

Reply

We thank the Reviewer for reading our manuscript with interest.

Improvement in English language for the sake of clarity and flow has been made.

Editor

I'm afraid the quality of the English used throughout your manuscript does not currently meet our requirements, as there are several spelling and grammatical errors throughout. We recommend that you ask a native English speaking colleague to help you copyedit the paper. If this is not possible, you may need to use a professional language editing service. Use of an editing service is neither a requirement nor a guarantee of acceptance for publication.

Reply

The manuscript has been copyedited by a colleague who speaks English as a first language.

Editor

The abstract should be subdivided into the following headings:

- Background
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusions

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Reference checking results

References No 5 and 9 “not validated”

Reference No 5 has been cross-checked on Pubmed

Reference No 9 has been corrected (journal abbreviation)