Reviewer's report

Title: LONG-TERM VISUAL OUTCOMES AND REHABILITATION IN USHER SYNDROME TYPE II AFTER RETINAL IMPLANT ARGUS II.

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Authors described a very interesting case with photos as well as a video.
This case is unique in terms of deaf as well as blind patient.
To make this case report more interesting, however, i would like to recommend a few points.

1. Because Argus II surgery is not a frequently-conducted surgery, it will be better for the authors to add post-op ocular images, including fundus photo and OCT, at the end of follow-up period. Also, any post-op complication need to be addressed, if not major.
2. Authors should describe results in more detail at Case presentation Part. In this manuscript, authors described more general principles of rehabilitation procedure. Instead, they should describe how large letter he read at what distance, and what is his visual field angle, etc.
3. Thei description of the ost-op results should be moved to Case Presentation from Discussion. Also, it will be better to choose a better video, showing that the patient is not using excessive hand contact. In the video, the patient seemed to use hand contact all the time.
4. Authors described that this patient was good in O&M in normal surroundings with referencing Figure 1 and Figure 2, but those figures do not seem to show the improvement in O&M. It will be better to add a video, which may show his movement in normal surroundings.

In general, I would recommend the authors to repalce unnecessary parts (mostly explaining the principles of Augus II treatment ) with real post-op findings of this very unique, interesting case.
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