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Title: Outcomes of Total Hip Arthroplasty in Patients with Primary Immune Thrombocytopenia

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We would like to express our sincere thanks to the editor for providing us a valuable comment.

Response to editor’s comment:
While we understand that you have obtained informed consent from patients to participate in the study and have correctly stated this in your manuscript, I’m afraid we also require specific consent to publish the information in table 2 and the legend for figure 1.

If consent to publish has also been obtained, please clearly state this in your manuscript. If not, we must ask you to please remove the identifiers from the figure legend and either collate the information in table 2 so that identifiers for individual participants are not provided, or provide age ranges rather than specific ages in the table. Otherwise, the table and figure will have to be removed in order for your manuscript to be suitable for publication.

Response: Thank you for your comment. We have removed age and sex information from Table 2 and have also removed the identifiers for individual participants from the figure legend.

Table 2. Perioperative Transfusions in the ITP Group
Case Diagnosis ASA PLT
(×109/) Hb
(g/dL) Preoperative transfusion
(units) Postoperative transfusion
(units)
1 ON 1 83 10.5 - PC 4, pRBC 2
ASA: American Society of Anesthesiologists; PLT: platelet; Hb: haemoglobin; ON: osteonecrosis; OA: osteoarthritis; PC: platelet concentrate; pRBC: packed red blood cell; IVIG: intravenous immunoglobulin.

Figure legends

Figure 1

a Pre-operative radiograph showed osteonecrosis of the femoral head in patient with primary immune thrombocytopenia.