Reviewer’s report

Title: Hallux valgus correction utilising a modified short scarf osteotomy with a magnesium biodegradable or titanium compression screws – a comparative study of clinical outcomes

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Authors put a control group to investigate the usefulness of Magnesium implants for fixation after Scarf osteotomy.

Most part of the paper was improved. However, in Introduction, magnesium implant has an advantage for less artefact of CT scanning.

Please show the CT data after fixation using magnesium implant. It is also important to know FULL BIODEGRADATION (which was described in the CONCLUSION. too) of magnesium implant.

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