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Response to reviewer No 1:

The reviewer’s main concern is with the limitations section. New technologies offer new predictors for the diagnosis and follow – up of lateral epicondyritis. To address this concern we have added the following sentences:

In Strengths and limitations section line 10 page 13 we have added the text: “As possible predictors we selected measurements in use at the time of our original investigation. Since then, advances in musculoskeletal ultrasound have shown promising results that could lead to additional predictors of symptom duration, staging and outcome in lateral epicondyritis. (Superb Microvascular Imaging, SMI). (Ref).”

Response to reviewer No 2:

No revisions deemed necessary.

Declarations section: Abbreviations line 5, page 14, has been moved to a separate section above declarations.