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Zaki Hassan-Smith, MBBS, BMedSci(Hons), MRCP, PhD (Reviewer 1): Many thanks for addressing points raised in the review. I would suggest adding a reference to the amended text on page 12-13: 'Being a single center study and a relatively small sample size were the limitations of the study. Being at lower threshold levels of vitamin D3 which known to decrease fracture risk and falls at 1st and 3th of months of study could be another limitation of the study, as it may make difficult to interpret the results of the study. Additionally, none of our patients was evaluated for vitamin D metabolites which has been demonstrated to be related to muscle function in recent studies. This is another limitation of our study.'

--Added

Martin Hewison (Reviewer 2): The authors have provided an adequate response to reviewer comments and the revised manuscript is now greatly improved.