Reviewer’s report

Title: Advocacy of diagnostic criteria for maxillary incisive canal cysts based on alteration of normal maxillary incisive canals according to aging in Japanese populations

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Reviewer: Elif Yildizer Keris

Reviewer's report:

Dear Authors, thank you for submitting your interesting paper.

Comments to Authors:

1- Introduction,

* line 29; "Particular clinical findings of maxillary incisive canal cysts are palatal swelling, displacement of anterior teeth, sublabial swelling, low-grade pain, etc

I recommend not write "etc." in scientific papers.

* I don't understand what you say " CT numbers", please replace it with a more descriptive term.

2- Method,

* What are the inclusion criteria of the sample?

* line 32 "………….potential for maxillary dentures, marginal and periapical periodontitis, pulpitis, and so on."

It would be better if you use the following sentence instead "so on"

"…patients without any reason to influence the evaluation of the maxillary incisive canal"

* p 6; line 12 :" …… and on axial sections, they were classified as round, oval, heart-based, or others (Figure 1E-H). "

What did you mean in "others" in your anatomical classification? Please clarify.

* Which CT slice you have chosen as sagittal reference slice?

* What are the anatomical points you use to study? Please mention it.
3- Discussion,

Please discuss the results of your work with other studies.

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