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Reviewer reports:

Reviewer #1: Thank you to the authors for considering our comments. This work shows the reliability of the DIERS surface topography technology.

Reviewer #2: The revised manuscript was much better; however, there is one thing still I can't understand.

In conclusion section, "Because within-scan variability is not reported with the DRV, the clinical usefulness of DRV if reported by itself is limited."

As the authors described in the response, "the DRV is only 1 value for each measure", there exists no within-scan variability with the DRV. I can't understand how to report the non-existed values.

Only one edit is being recommended by the reviewers and reviewer 2 concern is with line 14 on page 19 in the conclusion section. The edit is underlined from line 14-22 on that page. To
sustain better consistency in the article between the abstract to the conclusion, we made a minor clarification on page 3, line 21 to which is underlined as well.

No other changes have been recommended and no other changes have been made to the manuscript.