Reviewer's report

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The revised manuscript is much better.

My comments are:

1 Brace compliance was rated as good in 70.8% in the experimental group and 79.2% in the historical cohort group. In the experimental group, 66.9% of patients who were compliant to the Schroth exercises had good bracing compliance, whereas only 63.6% of those who were non-compliant to the exercises had good bracing compliance.

So, regarding the brace compliance of the experimental group,

   Schroth complier 66.9%
   Schroth non-complier 63.6%
   Total 70.8%

Some of these values should be incorrect.

2 Figure legend

Although the inclusion criteria is Cobb angle of 25-40 degrees, this patient's Cobb angle was 42 degrees.
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