Author’s response to reviews

Title: OSTEOGENESIS IMPERFECTA, INTERNAL MAMMARY ARTERY GRAFT & NITINOL CLIPS

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Dear Professor Zamvar,

We would like to thank you and the Reviewers for your interest in our manuscript and thoughtful comments. In response to your suggestion, we are submitting a revised version of our manuscript “Osteogenesis imperfecta, Internal Mammary Graft & Nitinol Clips” that has been modified to address the concerns of the Reviewers.

Please, find below our point-by-point response to the Reviewers’ comments and a list of the incorporated changes.

Reviewer #1

The manuscript is well written and puts some incremental knowledge in this field. I would ask additional comments and discription regarding the fragility of ascending aorta and coronary arteries when authors performed aortic cannulation and coronary anastomoses. Aortic fragility often makes hemostasis difficult at the aortotomy site. Coronary angiogram is not necessary.

We fully agree with the Reviewer’s remark and therefore we have now provided additional information on the fragility of the vessels and hemorrhagic considerations in the context of osteogenesis imperfecta. Although not absolutely necessary, we would prefer, if you agree, to keep the preoperative angiogram (Fig. 1) as visual support for the reader.
Reviewer #2

The authors have done a commendable job. I congratulate them. In the abstract they mention patient had a acute myocardial infarction while in description they mention unstable angina with raised troponin, which should be changed to myocardial infarction for sake of uniformity.

We would like to warmly thank the reviewer for spotting this inconsistency. We have now changed the text in the manuscript accordingly.

We appreciate your consideration and we trust that this revised version has adequately addressed the Reviewers’ concerns.

Sincerely,

In behalf of the co-authors

Ludovic Melly