

# Review of: "Bisphosphonate-Related Osteonecrosis of the Jaws Treated with Platelet-Rich Plasma: Preliminary Results from a Case Series"

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The article at present is short and lacking in a few scientific components.

Here are some suggestions.

#### **Abstract**

Your abstract is too brief. In the methodology section, please elaborate about the 35 subjects. Examples: What was their medical diagnosis. Which sites of the jaws were involved? etc

Same goes to you Results which is too brief. Please put in some more descriptions

## Introduction

- 1. There are real incidence and prevalence of BRONJ. Please quote them.
- 2. Please describe platelet rich preparations that have already been reported.
- 3. Need to explain about BPFC (Bioplasma riccoin fattori di crescita) (Bioplasma®) and what are the difference or similarities between this product and other platelet rich plasma?

# **Materials & Methods**

# Patient selection

- 1. You need to describe many more variables for the characteristics of patient and clinical findings for Table 1 as well as characteristics of the outcome of surgery. The study protocol was approved by the Ethical Committee for Human
- 2. Studies of the "Ospedale di Circolo" University of Varese need to put the code and date of approval. Need to describe the parameters you are investigating in detail.
- 3. For the parameters assessing the effectiveness of PRP, more scientific evaluation needs to be placed

Example: If pain...was there a pain score involved?



## **Results**

Table 1 and the description about the patient their clinical characteristics should be placed in Results.

Please describe the clinical findings in detail in a few paragraphs above Table 1.

Some suggestions for additional columns in Table 1 and clinical descriptions.

- i) Mean age of 64 years, what is the standard deviation.
- ii) What were their medical diagnosis?
- iii) What bisphosphonates (BP) they were on? For how long? Was it the injectable or oral BP?
- iv) What were the sites involved in the mandible and maxilla?
- v) What cause BRONJ in each patient? Tooth extraction? Ill fitting denture? etc
- vi) Did the patients have any medical illness (that may compromise healing)
- vii) Did all patients complete the 12 month follow up?
- viii) Please show cone beam CT or a dental panoramic tomogram image of pre and post surgery

Please describe the difference of parameters assessed:

Example: i) pain score before and after surgery

ii) how long did every patient take for complete mucosal coverage

and so on.

# **Discussion**

Your discussion can be improved further.

- Any other study uses B.P.F.C. Bio-Plasma® Rich in Pure Growth Factors®?
   Describe them
- 2. Why would you promote PRP compares to PRF?
- 3. What are the differences between other studies that use PRP compared to your study
- 4. When it is a case series study, it is very difficult to conclude that the B.P.F.C. Bio-Plasma is responsible for healing in your patients as you also prescribed a) antibiotics b) Gengigel c) pro-biotics
  Please discuss this individual agent and its relationship to healing.
- 5. Please include Limitation in your Discussion section.

