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## REVIEWER'S REPORT

Manuscript No.: IJAR-57982

Title: Non-Functional Obturator-Assisted Marsupialization for Dentigerous Cyst in a Child: A Conservative Treatment Approach

### Recommendation:

- Accept as it is .....
- ✓ Accept after minor revision.....
- Accept after major revision .....
- Do not accept (*Reasons below*) .....

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		✓		
Techn. Quality		✓		
Clarity		✓		
Significance	✓			

Reviewer Name: Dr S. K. Nath

### Detailed Reviewer's Report

#### Strength of the study:

- Presents a clinically relevant pediatric dental case
- Emphasizes preservation of developing permanent teeth
- Conservative treatment approach is clearly described
- Clinical, radiographic and histopathological findings support the diagnosis
- Follow up period demonstrates successful healing and tooth eruption
- Use of a non functional acrylic obturator is well documented
- Discussion is supported by relevant published literature

#### Weakness of the study:

- The report is based on a single case and has limited generalizability
- Ethical clearance and patient consent statements are not clearly mentioned
- Long term follow up beyond eight months would strengthen the findings
- Some grammatical and formatting inconsistencies are present
- Comparative analysis with alternative treatment options is limited
- A few sections contain repetitive information
- More recent references could further improve the discussion

#### Reviewers Comments:

This manuscript describes the successful management of a dentigerous cyst in a 9 year old child using marsupialization assisted by a non functional acrylic obturator. The topic is clinically important because preservation of developing permanent teeth is a major concern in pediatric patients. The authors have presented the clinical findings, radiographic features, treatment procedure, and follow up outcomes in a clear and systematic manner. The inclusion of clinical photographs and radiographic images improves the overall quality of the report. Histopathological confirmation further strengthens the diagnosis. The discussion adequately relates the present case to previously published literature and supports the rationale for conservative treatment. However, the report is limited by its single case design and relatively short follow up period. Ethical clearance is generally not mandatory for a case report, but a statement regarding informed consent from the patient's guardians should be included. Minor grammatical, formatting, and referencing corrections are required. Overall, the manuscript is informative, clinically relevant, and suitable for publication after minor revision.

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### **Previously Published anywhere/Plagiarism check:**

There is no evidence within the manuscript to suggest prior publication of this case report. The content appears original and based on a genuine clinical case with supporting documentation. No obvious signs of plagiarism were identified during review. However, a formal similarity assessment should be conducted by the journal before publication to ensure originality and compliance with ethical publication standards.