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REVIEWER'S REPORT

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Title: Three-Year Clinical and Radiographic Healing Following Nonsurgical Root Canal Treatment of a Maxillary Lateral Incisor with Symptomatic Apical Periodontitis: A Case Report.

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 ID: JP085

Reviewer's Comment for Publication.
This manuscript presents a well-documented case report describing the successful nonsurgical management of a maxillary lateral incisor with symptomatic apical periodontitis. The use of contemporary endodontic techniques, including intracanal heating and ultrasonic activation of sodium hypochlorite (IHAN) and the Hot Modified obturation technique, resulted in complete clinical and radiographic healing after a three-year follow-up. The report highlights the importance of meticulous endodontic treatment and long-term follow-up in achieving favorable outcomes. .

Strength:

1. Clinically relevant and educational case report.
2. Detailed treatment protocol with contemporary techniques.
3. Excellent three-year clinical and radiographic follow-up.
4. High-quality discussion supported by current literature.
5. Clear presentation with appropriate clinical images.
6. Highlights practical significance for endodontic practice.

Weakness:

1. Single case limits generalizability.
2. Comparative evidence with conventional techniques is limited.
3. CBCT evaluation during follow-up was not included.
4. More discussion on treatment limitations would strengthen the report.
5. Minor grammatical and formatting corrections are needed.
6. Larger clinical studies are required to validate the findings.

Overall assessment:

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The manuscript presents a well-structured and clinically valuable case report demonstrating successful long-term healing following contemporary nonsurgical root canal treatment. The methodology, follow-up, and discussion are appropriate and supported by current literature. Minor revisions related to language, formatting, and additional discussion on limitations would further improve the manuscript.

Recommendation: Manuscript accepted for publication.