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Narsing Rao, MD
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RE: Manuscript Entitled: "Characterization of Lesions in Punctate Inner Choroidopathy with Spectral Domain Optical Coherence Tomography"

Dear Narsing:

On behalf of the authors, I am very pleased to submit our manuscript for consideration of publication in the Journal of Ocular Inflammation and Infection, with me as the corresponding author.

The availability of spectral domain OCT (SD-OCT) has allowed us to learn more about retinal and choroidal changes in retinal and uveitic diseases. As you know, throughout the years, I have focused on studies to further our understanding of punctate inner choroidopathy (PIC) – pathogenesis, diagnosis, and management. In the index study, we have employed SD-OCT to evaluate PIC lesions at different clinical stages. In reviewing the literature, we have not found any published manuscripts on the subject. Thus, we hope that our work will provide additional information and shed further light on the PIC entity.

Thank you for your consideration and review of our manuscript. As the principal author of this manuscript, I, along with the co-authors, take full responsibility for the data presented, analysis of the data, and conclusions. I have received research funding from the Research to Prevent Blindness to conduct the study. No other authors have any relevant financial or conflicting interests to disclose. We look forward to hearing from you.

With best personal regards,

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