

## Responses to editor and reviewer concerns

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to revise and resubmit our manuscript, “On the Surgical Removal of Cardassian Cranial Implants: A case study of a Cardassian patient” (Manuscript ID SMJ-R-2373-0023). We found the Editor’s and the Reviewers’ comments to be very insightful and helpful and we have used these comments to rewrite and improve the manuscript in a number of ways. In this memo, we describe how we have revised the paper in response to these comments. The Editor’s and Reviewers’ comments are cited or summarized in *red italicized text*, and our responses are in black Roman text. We include excerpts from our revised manuscript in *blue*.

### Editor’s broader concerns

*Editor: This is all great, but you should reframe the theory to fit within the broader literature on cybernetic implants in humanoids.*

We appreciate the editor’s help in reframing our paper. Sed ut perspiciatis unde omnis iste natus error sit voluptatem accusantium doloremque laudantium, totam rem aperiam, eaque ipsa quae ab illo inventore veritatis et quasi architecto beatae vitae dicta sunt explicabo.

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### Reviewer 2

*Reviewer 2: This is the worst paper I have ever read.*

We appreciate and welcome Reviewer 2’s opinion here. To make the paper better, we added this to the introduction:

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*Reviewer 2: Seriously, you should never research again.*

We once again appreciate Reviewer 2’s valuable thoughts and have included this in the conclusion, announcing that we have retired from all scientific endeavors:

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