

Drs. Maharaj and Chandran reply

To the Editor:

We thank Dr. Rothschild¹ for raising an important issue. We do agree with you that synostosis does occur in spondyloarthritis, as has been well documented. We were anticipating this question and hence included radiographs of the hands in the specific patient. There are no radiographic features of psoriatic arthritis (PsA) such as erosions, new bone formation, and pencil-in-cup appearance on any other radiographs of this patient. Moreover, radioulnar joint involvement is quite uncommon in patients with PsA. The typical radiographic features and the absolute symmetry of these lesions support a diagnosis of congenital fusion of the superior radioulnar joint². Had this been synostosis related to the PsA, one would have expected, at least, some radiographic evidence elsewhere.

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