Reviewer's report

Title: New PRSS1 and common CFTR mutations in a child with acute recurrent pancreatitis, could be considered an "Hereditary" form of pancreatitis?

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Major Compulsory Revisions (which the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

This is a well-written paper describing a novel PRSS1 polymorphism, co-existing with a well-known CFTR mutation, in a patient with recurrent acute pancreatitis. But, this report deals with a single case report, and the role of the novel PRSS1 mutation remains unknown in the absence of functional study. Because the patient carries the F508del CFTR mutation, it is likely that the mechanism underlying the recurrent episodes of acute pancreatitis might be due to the presence of the CFTR mutation.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.