Reviewer's report

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- Major Compulsory Revisions

In the discussion, it is important to add that part of the reason for lack of significant difference between the Fabry naive and Fabry ERT groups might have been due to the low subject number especially in the Fabry naive group.

In the discussion the statement about use of the instrument to screen for Fabry disease is unacceptable as written. Change "The diagnostic potential of skin impedance in Fabry has not been explored and while the technique is not sensitive to ERT it may provide the busy clinician with a very good screening instrument for Fabry" to something like "The diagnostic potential of skin impedance in Fabry has not been explored but since the technique could potentially provide the busy clinician with a screening instrument for Fabry, further studies are indicated."

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I have received modest honoraria and lecture fees from TKT (now Shire) Pharmaceuticals and Genzyme Corporation.