Reviewer’s report

Title: An unusually large benign tumour (myofibroblastoma) of male breast: a case report

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Reviewer: Sami Shousha

I am familiar with the literature and believe that this case meets one of the 7 criteria for evaluation in the journal: An unexpected association between diseases or symptoms

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Comments to authors:

General

This is an interesting case of a giant breast myofibroblastoma developing in a man with familial lipomatosis. The case is presented clearly with an impressive clinical picture. 

Revisions necessary for publication

A representative microscopic picture of a section of the lesion is needed to complete documentation of the case. Also, it would be helpful if stains for oestrogen and androgen receptors are carried out and reported as these, particularly the latter, are commonly positive in breast myofibroblastoma, and can help in supporting the diagnosis and differentiating it from other spindle cell lesions of the breast.

What next?: Accept after minor revisions

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published