Reviewer's report

**Title:** Duloxetine in treatment of refractory chronic tennis elbow: two case reports

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**Reviewer:** ilse degreef

I am familiar with the literature and believe that this case meets one of the 9 criteria for evaluation in the journal: Findings that shed new light on the possible pathogenesis of a disease or an adverse effect

If other, please specify:

It might help to treat the untreatable tennis elbow.

**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?:** No

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

**Is the anonymity of the patient protected?:** Yes

**Comments to authors:**

This is completely another point of view than the surgical one for treating chronic tennis elbow. I am open to it and would recommend publication. These findings also shed new light on the possible pathogenesis of tennis elbow.

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable