Reviewer's report

Title: Erythromelalgia, a rare condition: a case report and review of the literature.

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Reviewer: Joost P Drenth

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: Other

If other, please specify:

Straight report on a rare disorder

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: No

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?: No

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

The authors have submitted a revised version of their case report. They have now provided a better description of the literature. They have included some info on the use of mexiletine, and report that it ‘did not work’. In order for us as treating physicians to really appreciate the experience by these authors I would like to see that the authors to address the following questions. (1) which dosage , (2) what was the dosage interval (3) how did the authors increase the dosage with time (as is required with this drug) (4) were there any side effects (5) how did they measure the effect (6) how long was treatment given.
Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'