Reviewer's report

Title: Electrical wire as a foreign body in a male urethra: a case report

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Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: None

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?: No

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?: No

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

General Comments
The authors present an interesting case of a foreign body inserted into a male patient’s urethra for autoerotic reasons. This was eventually removed through a suprapubic cystotomy, as endoscopic manipulations proved to be unsuccessful. The presentation is sufficient and, in the discussion, some of the theories that have been put forth to explain the phenomenon are quoted.

Revisions necessary
The conclusion should be revised. The suggestion for external urethrotomy for objects stuck into the urethra should be moved to the discussion and a relevant reference should be added.
Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I don't have any competing interests