Reviewer’s report

Title: Development of a duodenal gallstone ileus with gastric outlet obstruction (Bouveret syndrome) four months after successful treatment of symptomatic gallstone disease with cholecystitis and cholangitis: a case report

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Reviewer: Steffen Rickes

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: Unexpected or unusual presentations of a disease

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?: No

Is the case report persuasive?: No

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

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

This case report is very interesting.
It is written well.

Minor

The authors should describe the sonographically findings in this patients.
Sonography is the first imaging procedure in the diagnosis of abdominal pain.
Other papers described that an gallstone ileus can be diagnosed also by ultrasound.
There is for example the paper of Rauh et al. (DMW 2010). This paper should be
discussed and cited.

Quality of written English: Acceptable