Reviewer's report

**Title:** Occipital Peripheral Nerve Stimulation in the management of chronic intractable occipital neuralgia in a patient with neurofibromatosis type-1.

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**Reviewer:** AR Cooper

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

If other, please specify:

Report describes the use of OPNS in treating occipital neuralgia in a patient with neurofibromatosis. I

The technique ie. OPNS and the use of ultrasound have previously been described and by one of the authors (IMS) in Neuromodulation on line on 29/10/09 and is not new. The novelty is from using of OPNS guided by ultrasound in a patient with an unusual condition ie neurofibromatosis, is what adds to the interest.

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?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

Well written description of OPNS with an interesting twist - ie use of OPNS in an
unusual condition ie neurofibromatosis is what makes it interesting. the use of OPNS and ultrasound not new and previously reported, but the case report has merit and should be published in full- well done

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests