Reviewer's report

Title: Bilateral spontaneous non-traumatic rupture of the Achilles tendon - a case report.

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Reviewer: Tun Hing Lui

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?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: No

Is the case report persuasive?: No

Does the case report have explanatory value?: No

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:

1) the association of corticosteriods and fluoroquinolones with non-traumatic rupture of Achilles tendon is well known and what is new in this report and improve our understanding in this entity?
2) what is the other possible differential diagnosis?
3) is it any evidence of underlying pathology of the Achilles tendons in MRI?
4) Why the authors chose nonoperative treatment rather than operative treatment? What is the pros and cons of each approach? Will the management of non-traumatic rupture different from traumatic rupture? Will the management of bilateral rupture different from unilateral rupture?
Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests