Reviewer's report

Title: Vertical gaze palsy due to unilateral thalamic infarction

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Reviewer: rodica mardari

Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: An unexpected association between diseases or symptoms

Has the case been reported coherently?: No

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?: Yes

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:

Dear authors,

The thalamic involvement in the etiology of the vertical gaze palsy is underdiagnosed.

However, the etiology of the acute left ischemic has not been clearly explained in your article.
1. Did you rule out the vertebral artery dissection?
2. Considering the presence of a chronic contralateral cerebellar infarct, the cardioembolic origin should also be taken into account.

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being
published

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests