Reviewer's report

Title: A non-healing corneal ulcer as the presenting feature of Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus: a case report

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Reviewer: alexander tokarewicz

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

If other, please specify:

This is a subtle early clinical sign in a recalcitrant corneal ulcer case in which diabetes should be considered in the differential diagnosis.

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?: 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:

corneal sensation, tear function i.e. rose bengal pattern, lid mechanics, nocturnal lagophthalmos deserve comment.
mention of stem cell function, growth factor studies, topical insulin studies, and basement membrane abnormalities briefly in the summary would add interest.

Quality of written English: Acceptable
Declaration of competing interests:

I declare no competing interests