Reviewer's report

Title: A 89-year old woman with a torsion of the gallbladder: a case report.

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Reviewer: Marc GH Besselink

Which of the 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?: No

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?: No

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

This is a review of the case report "An 89-year old woman with a torsion of the gallbladder: a case report" by dr.Boer and co-workers.

Although more cases of full torsion of the gallbladder around the cystic duct, causing ischemia of the gallbladder have been described in the literature the accompanying video is highly illustrative.

I have three minor comments:

1. Introduction, please replace "last literature" with "recent literature"

2. Please correct "Movie 1for further imaging of preoperative findings", do the authors mean 'peroperative findings'?
3. Please rephrase "However, if this patient would have been treated by percutaneous drainage, this could have led to progressive ischemia with perforation of the gallbladder". Perc.drainage would not have caused the "progressive ischemia", the torsion would have. Perc.drainage would have treated the symptoms but not the cause of the problem: torsion.

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

I have no competing interests except this: I have worked with dr. De Vries Reilingh and dr. Boerma in previous years.

I was not aware of this case however, and have not discussed this case or review with them. They have not approached me on this review.