Reviewer's report

Title: Multiple neck operations in a patient with severe motor tics due to Tourette's syndrome: a case report

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Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: Presentations, diagnoses and/or management of new and emerging diseases

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?: Yes

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

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

The authors report a case of Tourette's syndrome and relevant review of literature. The manuscript is well written and is comprehensive enough. The follow-up in this case is good (10 years), as were the outcomes. Authors report that these patients run a risk of having multiple neck operations and postoperative immobilization is the key. Authors also report that selection of the surgical procedure is quite important. The case is rare, and the authors offer novel insights with regards to management. I feel that the subject is worthy of publication in the Journal of Medical Case Reports.

Quality of written English: Acceptable
Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.