Reviewer’s report

Title: Esophageal rupture caused by explosion of automobile tire tube: a case report

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Reviewer: Francois Luks

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?: 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:

The authors describe a unique presentation of esophageal rupture, and have done so concisely and clearly. There are a few grammatical imperfections that may need to be reviewed by someone a little more facile with the English language.

The manuscript would benefit from more detailed description of the operative technique, particularly the creation of the gastric tube and the anastomosis - including perioperative management, such as type and duration of antibiotic therapy.

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

No competing interests of conflicts.