Reviewer’s report

Title: Paratesticular fibrous pseudotumor - a report of two cases and a review of clinical, radiological and pathohistological features

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Reviewer: Wah Cheuk

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?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: No

Does the case report have explanatory value?: No

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: No

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

The authors should perform immunostaining for IgG and calculate the IgG4/IgG ratio. The absolute value of 10-15 IgG4+ cells per high power field is not sufficient for the diagnosis of IgG4-related disease. The authors should also mention whether other clinical features (e.g., other well-known IgG4-related disease manifestations) morphologic features (storiform pattern of sclerosis, obliterative phlebitis) of IgG4-related disease are present or not. The presence of calcification seen in these cases are seldom reported in other IgG4-related disease. How do the authors explain this finding?

Quality of written English: Acceptable
Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.