Reviewer's report

Title: Visual signs and symptoms in patients with the visual variant of Alzheimer disease.

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The authors present a retrospective study describing the visual signs and symptoms associated with the visual variant of Alzheimer’s disease (VVAD). The manuscript is well-written and coherent. The main conclusion of the study is that in patients with unexplained visual complaints, such as reading difficulties, ophthalmologists should be aware that VVAD could be a potential cause.

Compulsory major revisions
Since previous literature exists, the main criticism I have of the manuscript is that the authors do not provide enough transparency in placing their study in the context of what is already known. For example, Lee and Martin (Ophthalmology, 111 (2), pp. 376-38) apparently report similar findings in 2004. Does their study add any new information to understanding VVAD or are their findings confirmatory of what is already known?

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests