Reviewer's report

Title: Misdiagnosis of inclusion body myositis: two case reports and a retrospective chart review.

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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

Do you believe the case report is authentic?: Yes, without any doubt

Do you have any ethical concerns?: No

Is the Abstract representative of the case presented?: Yes

Does the Introduction explain the relevance of the case to the medical literature?: Yes

Does the article report relevant patient information?: Yes

Does the article report relevant physical examination findings?: No

Does the article report important dates and times in this case?: No

Does the article report the diagnostic assessments?: Yes

Does the article report the types of intervention?: Yes

Does the article report a summary of the clinical course of all follow-up visits?: No

If any information is missing from the reporting, please detail it here.: 20 patients received the diagnosis of sIBM in 10 years. How many patients are seen in the Unit in a standard year?
Is the interpretation (discussion and conclusion) well balanced and supported by the case presented?:

Yes

Does the case represent a useful contribution to the medical literature?:

Although is is known that the diagnosis of sIBM sometimes emerge from an erroneous PM diagnosis, not everybody is familiar with such a circumstance.

Was written informed consent to publish this case obtained?: No

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?:

Absolutely

Additional comments to authors?:

Try to shorten either the manuscript as well as the table.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests