Reviewer's report

Title: Non-invasive treatment for severe complex pressure ulcers complicating necrotizing fasciitis: A Case Report

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Reviewer: Ayse Tulin Mansur

Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: Other

If other, please specify:

A respectively new treatment for a common condition (complicated pressure ulcer).

Do you believe the case report is authentic?:

This case report is not authentic, as deep and secondarily infected pressure ulcers can be frequently seen. The described treatment method has also been used in pressure ulcers recently.

Do you have any ethical concerns?:

I consider the reported case to be ethical.

Is the Abstract representative of the case presented?:

Yes, the abstract is representative of the presented case.

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?: Yes

Does the article report important dates and times in this case?: Yes

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.: No

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?:

It is an example of successful treatment of complicated pressure ulcers with negative pressure wound treatment with instillation.

Was written informed consent to publish this case obtained?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Additional comments to authors?:

The revised text is much better than the original one. Unnecessary sections are omitted. From the time schedule given in the revised text, we understand that necrotizing fasciitis had developed on the basis of pressure ulcers which were present for 2 years. That means pressure ulcers were complicated with necrotizing fasciitis, not the vice versa (pressure ulcers complicating the necrotizing fasciitis). The title and the related sentences in the introduction and case report sections should be revised accordingly.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.