Reviewer's report

Title: Dental erosion in patients seeking treatment for gastrointestinal complains: a case series

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Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: Unexpected or unusual presentations of a disease

Do you believe the case report is authentic?: yes

Do you have any ethical concerns?: no

Is the Abstract representative of the case presented?: 

YES, although the introduction section of the abstract should be re-written as currently it is not very informative and focussed.

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

YES BUT SHOULD BE IMPROVED

I WOULD SUGGEST THAT INTRODUCTION IS STRUCTURED AS BELOW:
1) SHORT INFO ON ED (Epidemiology and impact)
2) COMMON PRESENTATIONS OF ED; DIAGNOSIS IS OFTEN DELAYED > EARLY DIAGNOSIS IS DIFFICULT
3) ED patients may also have symptoms of FD/PPDS; however FD/PPDS are very common and only a small portion of these patients have ED
4) Dental erosions induced by vomiting are common in ED; hence they may help to identify ED in patients who present with FD/PPDS and deny having an eating disorder

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

If any information is missing from the reporting, please detail it here:

This includes:
- Relevant patient information: DIET INFORMATION IS MISSING
- Relevant physical examination findings: INFORMATION RE POSSIBLE SIALADENOSIS AND OROPHARYNGEAL ERYTHEMA IS MISSING
- Important dates and times in this case: NO
- Diagnostic assessments: SEE ABOVE DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA FOR ED
- Types of intervention: NO
- A summary of the clinical course of all follow-up visits.: N/A

Is the interpretation (discussion and conclusion) well balanced and supported by the case presented?:

? AUTHORS SHOULD SIMPLY SUGGEST THAT PATIENTS WITH FD SHOULD BE EXAMINED ALSO FOR ORAL SIGNS OF RECURRENT VOMITING. ALSO, THE SECOND PATIENT DOES NOT SEEM TO HAVE INITIALLY PRESENTED TO GASTROENTEROLOGIST DUE TO FD SYMPTOMS, THEREFORE DOES NOT REALLY FIT WITH THE SUGGESTED SCENARIO OF PATIENTS PRESENTING WITH FD etc..

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

yes

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

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?:

yes

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'