Reviewer's report

Title: Primary sclerosing cholangitis associated with CREST in an elderly woman: a case report.

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Reviewer: Roberto Villani

Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: New associations or variations in disease processes

Do you believe the case report is authentic?:

I believe the case report is authentic

Do you have any ethical concerns?:

None

Is the Abstract representative of the case presented?:

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

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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?: No

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.:

There is no mention of serum IgG4 level as the IgG4-SC should be considered in the differential diagnosis of primary sclerosing cholangitis.
Is the interpretation (discussion and conclusion) well balanced and supported by the case presented?:

No (see addition comments)

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

I think the case may be a useful contribution to the medical literature

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

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?:

yes

Additional comments to authors?:

I think that it may be useful a more detailed discussion on differential diagnosis of the various type of primary and secondary sclerosing cholangitis also for therapeutic importance of steroid treatment in IgG4-SC

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests