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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Diabetic foot is one of the major annoying symptoms that severely deteriorates the quality of life. So far, numerous studies have identified multiple risk factors or mechanisms for understanding the progression of diabetic foot, however, limited strategies have been developed to cure the disease. In this mini-review, the authors discussed that how foot ulceration and equinus contracture promote the progression of diabetic foot. They described the potential reasons for these two clinical conditions, which further aggravate the diabetic foot. Though the authors failed to get a clear conclusion that whether foot ulceration or equinus contracture initiates the diabetic foot, the details of these two clinical conditions well summarized in this review would provide insight into understanding the progression of diabetic foot. Therefore, the only concern is the title which raises a well question that has not been answered in this review.

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Well designed and interesting is the title of the manuscript, but the development is too little detailed. Only one pathogenetic hypothesis is described and no clinical experience is demonstrated. The pathogenesis of diabetic ulcers have multifactorial origins. Authors should also describe their experience and possibly produce their own case studies.