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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This paper introduces an interesting case manifested by both testicular pain and IDD that the latter may be the etiology of the former symptom in a concise but comprehensive way. From diagnosis to therapy, the course of the disease is such normal that it's hard to trace the cause in the patients without IDD symptoms. This report may help clinic doctors better care the patients with the similar symptoms. However, there are still some concerns in the current paper. 1. Kathryn et al had reported a similar case in 2003(PMID: 14669201), they successfully eased the symptoms by physical therapy. I think authors can combine the cases and discuss more. 2. The examination of urinary system is lack of presentation. We need more test results to proof that the patient didn't suffer testicular organic disease. 3. I'm sure readers will be interested in the neural pathways involved, the anatomy of which can be discussed in more detail. For example, which segments degeneration may cause the testicular pain?

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This is a rather good paper on pain. The authors should elaborate on the diagnostic, prognostic, and therapeutic details of this particular case. Some CARE items are not applied completely. If it is possible, contact the patient and ask about the condition in order to extend the 1-year follow-up period to something longer. Please improve the English fluency. The conclusions are too bold for one single case. Such conclusions need large research studies. So condense the conclusions to one sentence, explaining that such pains can happen. Any other deductions should be either removed completely, or moved to the discussion.