Reviewer's report

Title: A rare case of ascending colon actinomycosis mimicking cancer

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This is a nice case report of a rare case of colonic actinomycosis. However, few minor essential corrections are required.

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

1. Along the hole case report the misleading term "malignant inflammatory tumor" has been used. The right terms should be either "Malignant tumor" or "Inflammatory pseudo tumor".
2. Reference No. 3 is not mentioned in the text.
3. Lines 10-11 on page 3 is not relevant to reference 2.
4. Line 13, page 3 - The treatment of choice is antibiotic therapy when ever possible and not surgical one.
5. Case report, page 3 line 3 the term "the past medical history was free should be rewrite.
6. Line 3, page 4 - "Arterial pressure" should be replaced by "Arterial blood pressure".
7. Line 1 page 6 should be revised.
8. Fig. 2 should be replaced by more representative figure with higher magnitude focusing on the "sulphur granules".

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

None