Reviewer's report

**Title:** Influenza A H1N1 septic shock in a patient with systemic lupus erythematosus. A case report

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The article is very interesting, however there are some minor essential revisions to be done:

- English needs a native speaker revision
- Include the following references:
- In Abstract, 1st line, SLE needs to be explained. The term correct is; "... with viral-induced septic shock..."
- In Case report,
  - what kind of clinical manifestations the patients had?
  - define EF, ICU, SLEDAI
  - the values of creatinine and altered liver enzymes should be expressed
  - How long oseltamivir was administered?
  - the correct term is thrombocytopenia, not thrombopenia
  - show the complement and anti-DNA titers during lupus activity.
- In Discussion, put a reference for the 5th paragraph regarding long lasting viral persistence of virus in immunosuppressed patients.
Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

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

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests