Reviewer's report

Title: Pancreatitis and myocarditis followed by pulmonary hemorrhage, a rare presentation of leptospirosis- A case report and literature survey

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Discretionary Revisions/ Minor Essential revisions

Authors kindly invited to adding arguments given below to the discussion section (not with certainly same words but with similar meaning);

Pancreatitis is one of the unusual manifestations of the leptospirosis. In reality, pancreatitis or pancreatic involvement of leptospirosis may be more common than physicians identified or declared. One of the reasons; leptospirosis cause multiorgan involvement in almost every single case. There are alot of increasing or changing biochemical parameters and new symptoms during the courses of disease in these cases. So it is really difficult to identified every clinical presentations and complications like uveitis, acalculus coleystitis, pneumonitis, myositis, neuritis, sagittal sinus thrombosis, chronic renal failure, peritonitis or pancreatitis etc. in leptospirosis cases especially in anicteric ones (Atasoyu EM, Turhan V, Unver S, Evrenkaya TR, Yildirim


Another reason is clinical signs and symptoms out of pancreatic involvement may be so insignificant and patient may be diagnosed as “isolated nonspecific pancreatitis” instead of “leptospirosis complicated with pancreatitis”.

All of these meaning is pancreatic involvement in leptospirosis may not be uncommon. It should be suspected and confirmed by clinicians in leptospirosis cases.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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".