Reviewer's report

Title: Chromobacterium haemolyticum-induced Bacteremia in a Healthy Young Man

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Reviewer: Gavin Barlow

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This report is interesting but would benefit from being edited by someone with English as their 1st language or with a high level of fluency to iron out some of the quirky grammer, etc.

Major:

1. Please provide more detail about the surgery undertaken - What was observed (i.e. did it look like necrotising fasciitis) and was it a simple fasciotomy or was a fasciotomy and debridement undertaken and if so to what extent was soft tissue debrided, etc.

2. Please specifically state how many days of IV antibiotic therapy were given. Also, specifically state how long the gentamicin was continued for (throughout or for shorter period than IV ciprofloxacin) and it would be useful to state the patients weight and whether adequate peak levels of gentamicin were achieved, etc.

3. In discussion, please reference the "current acceptable regimens" for necrotising fasciitis.

4. Please clarify the pathology findings in the main report section; what was the pathology report and how did this correlate with the operative appearances; necrotising fasciitis is predominantly a clinical diagnosis based on presentation and operative appearances, rather than on histopathology.

5. There are rather a lot of authors - did all authors really have an active roll in contributing to the manuscript!? Only those who did should be authors; others who for example looked after the patient, but did not contribute to the report can be acknowledged

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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.