Author's response to reviews

Title: Tuberculous dilated cardiomyopathy: an under-recognized entity?

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To,
The Editor,
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Sir/Madam,
Sub: Submission of revised manuscript MS: 2040585737629388 - Tuberculous dilated cardiomyopathy: an under-recognized entity?

Herewith submitting the revised manuscript titled “Tuberculous dilated cardiomyopathy: an under-recognized entity?” for consideration of publication in the “Case report” section of the journal. All the corrections asked for by the referees have been incorporated and have been highlighted by underlining them. Hope you find the manuscript suitable for publication.

Thanking You,
Kind Regards,
Yours sincerely,
Dr. Ritesh Agarwal

Point-to-point response to the comments from referees

Referee 1:
Madam,

Thank you very much for your valuable comments. The manuscript has really benefited from the comments given by you. We have incorporated the changes as asked by you. They are as follows:
1. All the parameters of echocardiography have been incorporated in the manuscript.
2. The reason for recurrent ventricular arrhythmias is likely to be because of the myocarditis.
3. We agree with Dr. Saxena that the reason for the progression of myocarditis in spite of being on antituberculous therapy is not clear in our patient. It is tempting to relate it to immunogenic mechanisms although there is limited available evidence from our case.

4. It is difficult to list preventive measures for myocardial TB. However as we have reiterated in our discussion that clinical suspicion and use of myocardial biopsy is likely to pick up cases early; early institution of antituberculous therapy can change the course of this treatable cardiomyopathy.

5. The reference of Jagia P et al has been incorporated in our manuscript (Reference 18).

6. All grammatical errors and typos have been corrected.

Referee 2:

Sir,

Thank you very much for your valuable comments. The manuscript has really benefited from the comments given by you. We have incorporated the changes as asked by you. They are as follows:

1. The clinical examination findings have been incorporated in an orderly sequence.

2. The reference of Danabuchi SS et al has been incorporated has also been incorporated (Reference 17).