Reviewer's report

Title: Minimal change nephrotic syndrome in an 82 year old patient following a tetanus-diphtheria-poliomyelitis-vaccination

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This manuscript describes an elderly case with minimal change nephrotic syndrome (MCNS) after the vaccination for tetanus, diphtheria and poliomyelitis. Although the several cases for MCNS occurred after vaccination have been published, the case with MCNS related with tetanus-diphtheria-poliomyelitis vaccine may be first. This observation suggests that any vaccine may cause MCNS and is useful for the speculation of mechanism of MCNS. There are, however, some concerns as listed below:

1. Immunological data such as immunoglobulin, the ratio of T/B cells, the ratio of CD4/8, complements and rheumatoid factor are lacking.
2. What was the urinary protein level on December, 2008.
3. What is the number of horizontal axis in Figure 1.
4. There are a few minor errors: page 5, line 16 where ‘Figure 1’ should be ‘Figure 2’ and line 24 where ‘Table 1’ should be ‘Figure 1’.

Level of interest: An article of importance 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.