Reviewer's report

Title: Anti-glomerular basement membrane glomerulonephritis and thrombotic microangiopathy in first degree relatives; a case report

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Idorn and colleagues report on the occurrence of pregnancy-related TMA and anti-GBM glomerulonephritis in a female patient and her biological mother, respectively.

The occurrence of two relatively rare renal disorders in the same family is peculiar, even though in rare cases (discussed by the authors), TMA may complicate the course of anti-GBM disease.

The authors failed to document a common pathogenic mechanism underlying both disorders. The patient with pregnancy-TMA had a Factor I mutation, previously reported in MPGN and aHUS. However, the functional consequences of this mutation have not been proven.

The main message of the case report is rather of limited importance and a "Letter to the Editor" format may be more suitable for this report.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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