Reviewer's report

Title: Clinicoradiological changes of brain NK/T cell lymphoma manifesting pure akinesia: a case report

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Please number your comments and divide them into

- Major Compulsory Revisions

The author must respond to these before a decision on publication can be reached. For example, additional necessary experiments or controls, statistical mistakes, errors in interpretation

1. Too many figures; the authors need to consolidate the most striking, relevant MRI slices (Diffusion-weighted, T2, and Gad) for before, worsening, and after trt. 10 figures is too many.

2. Also, in figure 2, there ARE some white matter abnormalities in the periventricular areas (it is not correct to state that there are "no remarkable changes" in the white matter E-F").

3. It is not clear to the reader what a "class V or class II" cytology result means?

4. Authors do not note what the systemic disease response was to DeVIC treatment. This is important to know.

5. Authors should mention/emphasize that excellent salvage of CNS spread was obtained, not only by MRI, but with remarkable clinical improvement in a very symptomatic and poorly functioning, bed-ridden patient with Methotrexate salvage; (and they were able to defer brain irradiation).

- Minor Essential Revisions

The author can be trusted to make these. For example, missing labels on figures, the wrong use of a term, spelling mistakes.

There are numerous typos and small errors of incorrect grammar in the abstract, text, and figure legends. (For example, "convolution" (should be convulsion).

The text should be reviewed by a native English speaker with medical text knowledge. (I can supply such a resource person upon request if the journal is
interested).

**Level of interest:** An article of limited interest

**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"