Reviewer's report

Title: Bilateral pleural effusion and interstitial lung disease as unusual manifestations of Kikuchi-Fujimoto disease: case report and review of the literature

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It is important to diagnose whether SLE exists along with KFD in the same patient. For this reason the authors should provide information on tests aimed at the differential diagnosis of SLE. Such tests include CRP, dsDNA, complement screening, respiratory rate, oxygen saturation and in case of pleural puncture, the constitution of the pleural effusion. No definite conclusions can be drawn without this additional consideration.

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.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests