Reviewer’s report

Title: Localized subacute thyroiditis presenting as a painful hot nodule

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This clinical case can be accepted to publish in BMC, it is an unexpected and unusual presentation of the subacute thyroiditis that is important to know by endocrinologists.

This manuscript needs only minor essential revisions but must be re-written by a native English speaker.

So the comments are:

* in the discussion, 21th lign: "but the clinical findings (neck pain, thyroid tenderness, and fatigue) led us to consider a diagnosis of subacute thyroiditis as a cause of the hot nodule": in this sentence, you discussed before the results of scintigraphy, so "as a cause of the hot nodule " should be deleted

* In the last line of the discussion: "In addition, this finding maybe associated with the heterogeneity of the pathological involvement of the thyroid": the sentence is misspoken, must be re-written, and it is not understood what do you mean by this finding is to the hot nodule or the overall presentation of the case.

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.