Reviewer's report

Title: Persistence of Natural Killer (NK) cell lymphocytosis with hyposplenism without development of leukaemia

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Major compulsory revisions

In the abstract section:
please define if the cells are CD3- CD8+ CD57+ CD16+ or CD16+CD56+ CD3- CD8+ Are these cells NK cells expressing CD8?

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How the clonality of these cells was detected? by PCR or by another method? NK lymphocytosis with CD8+ cells mainly indicates reactive lymphocytosis following inflammation or infection
Clonality should be detected by PCR

Minor essential revisions

Page 3
2nd line: "she had complaint" delete had what severe lethargy is?
Line 15: what is very athrophic spleen?

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1st line: 25% infiltration with

page 5
2nd line
replace lady with the term woman or patient