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Title: Pelvic actinomycosis presenting with a large abscess and bowel stenosis with marked response to conservative treatment: a case report

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Dear editors,

I would appreciate very much if you could consider our manuscript entitled “Pelvic actinomycosis presenting with a large abscess and bowel stenosis with marked response to conservative treatment: a case report” for publication in “Journal of Medical Case Reports.”

In this case report, we presented a rare case of pelvic actinomycosis that was correctly diagnosed. The female patient manifested severe bowel obstructive symptoms and had a huge abscess in the pelvis, but our treatment strategy resulted in the shrinkage of the abscess and could spare her from aggressive surgical intervention. As mentioned in the text, only 17% of this disease entity is diagnosable without radical surgery. Moreover, the reduction in the abscess size by ampicillin was striking, although we do not show the MR images after the treatment because of the limited number of figures. Collectively, we believe that our interesting case is suitable for the journal.

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Thank you very much for your kind consideration.

With my best regards,

Yours sincerely,

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