Reviewer's report

Title: Meningitis and brain edema, rare presentation of minocycline-induced hypersensitivity syndrome

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Reviewer: Allan R Tunkel

I am familiar with the literature and believe that this case meets one of the 7 criteria for evaluation in the journal: Unreported or unusual side effects or adverse interactions involving medications

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: No

Does the case report have explanatory value?: No

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: No

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: No

Comments to authors:

General

The authors have submitted a revised manuscript which is significantly improved over their previous submission.

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Revisions necessary for publication

1. While the authors have made substantial changes in the style and reduced the need for significant editorial revision, there are some areas that will need to be carefully reviewed by the publisher.

2. On page 5 in the paragraph on testing, I have a few suggestions.
   a. I would state the organism for Lyme disease, Borrelia burgdorferi, rather than the disease.
   b. The correct spelling is coxsackievirus.
   c. Just say the lumbar puncture revealed lymphocyte meningitis without saying it is aseptic.
   d. The correct unit for white blood cells is 60 cells/microliter, not per milliliter.
   e. In the units for glucose and protein, I would use the same types of units, rather than g/L for one and mmol/L for the other.

3. In the first paragraph on page 6, I don't know what is meant by a 'control' of the brain CT. In that paragraph, can you also define what is meant by relapse? Was that just symptoms or something else more objective?

4. On page 7 in the second paragraph, remove the word 'associated' from the 5th line.

What next?: Accept after minor revisions

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published