Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Cervical necrotizing fasciitis and mediastinitis in a young healthy adult secondary to acute unilateral tonsillitis; A case report

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**Reviewer:** Abid Ullah

I am familiar with the literature and believe that this case meets one of the 9 criteria for evaluation in the journal: An unexpected event in the course of observing or treating a patient

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

A very interesting case report, definitely adding to the clinical picture that has to be observed in managing complex cases. The literature provided is comprehensive but explanatory. The quality of associated figures is helpful in appreciating the real extent of the importance of vigilance.

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.