Reviewer’s report

Title: A Case Report of a 33 Year Old Female with Concomitant Sinus Histiocytosis with Massive Lymphadenopathy (Rosai-Dorfman Disease) and Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma

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Reviewer: Chris Bacon

I am familiar with the literature and believe that this case meets one of the 7 criteria for evaluation in the journal: An unexpected association between diseases or symptoms

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?: No

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

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

Comments to authors:

General

A well written and informative case report of a rare association between 2 diseases. Awareness of the possibility of such an association would be of value to haemato-oncologists, radiologists and pathologists. The number of references is appropriate for the content.

Revisions necessary for publication

1. The authors should provide further (but brief) details of the other known cases of SHML in patients with NHL, perhaps as a table. Such details should include the type of NHL in each case. This should be possible without exceeding the word limit and the relevant papers are already referenced.

2. A panel in Figure 2 showing the diffuse large B cell lymphoma should be included.
What next?: Accept after minor revisions

Quality of written English: Acceptable