Reviewer's report

Title: Delivery of a baby at 31 weeks gestation affected with Severe Combined Immunodeficiency following extreme preterm prelabour SROM: A Case Report

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Reviewer: Yi Lin

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: 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 the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: No

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:

Title: 'Severe Combined Immunodeficiency' should be better presented as 'severe combined immunodeficiency', and 'A Case Report' should be 'A case report'. That means there are several letters that should not be capitalized here.

Page 3, Introduction, 'resulting from lack of T and natural killer lymphocytes and non-functional B lymphocytes', should be better replaced by 'resulting from lack of functional T and B lymphocytes, and in some cases combined with deficiency of natural killer cells'. And, the following reference is better cited here: Lin Y, Liang Z, Chen J, Zeng Y. TLR3-involved modulation of pregnancy tolerance in double-stranded RNA-stimulated NOD/SCID mice. J Immunol, 2006, 176: 4147-4154.
Page 6, the second line, 'the membranes' should be better replaced by 'the membrane'.

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

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.