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Title: Community acquired mastitis due to Mycobacterium abscessus: a case report

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Major criticisms:

1. Page 2 histopathology results have been changed

2. Antimicrobial susceptibility test was performed with broth microdilution methods using commercial MHB, BD, MIC were reported. Resistant antimicrobials were not reported in the test but are the following: ciprofloxacin, doxycycline, co-trimoxazole and linezolid.

In regard to susceptibility tests, it must be highlighted that there was an error reported in the paper. While the patient was treated with cefotaxime, cefotin was tested in the lab. Activity of cefotaxime is missing. Consequently, we did some changes also in the discussion section of the paper.

3. Yes this hypothesis was taken into account but since culture at this time remained negative and the patient was improving, a single drug was continued.

Minor criticism:

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Reviewer John Goldman

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