Reviewer’s report

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

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Reviewer: Larry Bush

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: Unexpected or unusual presentations of a disease

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?: 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:

We would like to know if any AFB cultures were done on the initial samples and if there is any material to go back and stain now

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

none