Author's response to reviews

Title: Sodium valproate as a cause of recurrent transudative pleural effusion: a case report.

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Dear sir

Prof Michael Kidd

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We sent you our revised article entitled "Sodium valproate as a cause of recurrent transudative pleural effusion: a case report. ” by “S. Tryfon, M. Saroglou, K. Kazanas, C. Mermigkis, K. Psathakis, N. Galanis” for consideration and publication, into the Journal of Medical Case Reports.

Based on reviewer's suggestions we make the following corrections.

First reviewer (Dr Marco Cei):
1. We are counting the article of Andre S et al in the discussion of our article; page 2, paragraph 2.
2. The patient did not receive any other medication (antibiotics, corticoids, etc) during hospitalization; page 4, paragraph 2.
3. The reviewer has right about the possibility of systemic disease. But the patient’s immunologic normal pattern (page 3, last paragraph), the remission of clinical symptoms without any specific treatment, and the absence of any exacerbations during 6 months follow up period
exclude the possibility of Familial Mediterranean Fever or myelodysplastic hemopoiesis.

Second reviewer (Dr Nicolaos Papanas)
1. We recognise some grammatical mistakes and we correct them.
2. We rephrased the introduction based on reviewer’s suggestions; page 2 paragraph 4.
3. We insert a paragraph about the potential causative mechanism; page 6, last paragraph.

Yours, sincerely

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