Reviewer's report

Title: Semi-invasive aspergillosis in an immunocompetent patient with Swyer-James-MacLeod Syndrome: a case report

Version: 1 Date: 4 June 2009

Reviewer: Patrick D Frisella

Which of the 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?: 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:

The clinical aspects of the case report is sufficient. Expanding the discussion on SJMS would be welcomed, even with the limited amount of literature on the topic.

The authors claim of no other reported cases in the literature regarding an association between Semi-invasive aspergillosis in an immunocompetent patient with Swyer-James-MacLeod Syndrome is justified after searching several domestic and international biomedical data basis.

- Revisions necessary for publication

The authors should expand their discussion to include their view whether this patient's SJMS increased his occupational risk for aspergillosis and explain why such an invasive diagnostic approach given his occupational exposure and the
limited antibiotic regimen.
In addition, two spelling corrections need to be addressed, hidroclorothiazide to hydrochlorothiazide and itraconazol to itraconazole.

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

**Declaration of competing interests:**
I declare that I have no competing interests