Reviewer’s report

Title: Cutaneous larva migrans with optic disc edema: a case report

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Reviewer: Maja Tomovic

Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: New associations or variations in disease processes

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?: No

Does the case report have explanatory value?: No

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: No

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

In the case presentation, chronology of ocular and dermatologic symptoms, as well as time course of the examinations of ophthalmologist and tropical disease specialist is not clear, I think that it can be described better.

I regret that there is no picture of skin lesions, according to which the diagnosis of cutaneous larva migrans has been made. Maybe you should include some if you have.

According to accessible literature to me, optic disc edema was described only in cases with raised intracranial pressure, due to infestation of CNS with nematode. To my knowledge isolated cases of optic disc edema due to perioptic neuritis was not yet described. So I agree that this association has not yet been published, but maybe this is an accidental association. You should elaborate on eventual mechanism for that.
Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests `below