Reviewer's report

Title: Lingual juvenile xanthogranuloma in an adult patient. A rare case report.

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Reviewer: Erwin Cornips

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?: 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 authors have answered our comments satisfactorily.

I have some minor issues that should not interfere with acceptance for publication:

introduction - prognosis is usually good, however, ... (note comma)

case presentation - I still do not understand the sentence "its consistency was hard and it was disseminated of nodular, sessile micro-surveys". More specifically, I believe the words "disseminated" and "micro-surveys" are used incorrectly. Instead of disseminated probably the words "it consisted of" should be used

case presentation - nowadays remain ... rephrase as "Too date, an hyperchromic
area and a mild atrophy remain, without any evidence of local recurrence..."

discussion - ... occured on THE tongue

discussion - "After therapeutic surgery, ..." is incorrect, it should be either after biopsy or after gross total resection, the words "therapeutic surgery" in this context are incorrect

I have one important issue with regard to the conclusion:

"Although treatment is primarily surgical" is a conclusion that should not be derived especially from this report, I would propose to rephrase as follows: "in our opinion, although gross total resection of lingual xanthogranuloma is regarded as curative, alternatively one may decide to follow-up closely for spontaneous regression after initial biopsy"

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

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests