Reviewer's report

**Title:** Pulmonary Histoplasmosis Presenting as Chronic Productive Cough, Fever and Massive Unilateral Consolidation in a 15-year old Immune-competent Boy: A Case Report.

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**Reviewer:** Pierre Loulergue

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:**

The authors report the case of a fatal african histoplasmosis in an immunocompetent teenager. The case is instructive, as it is a rare clinical situation that may be mistaken with other diagnosis.

The only remark I have is about the presentation of the case itself. The authors should be more precise on what has been done between day 3 (worsening) and day 7 (death). Did the patient receive antimicrobial therapy(ies)?

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

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