Reviewer's report

Title: Small bowel necrosis complicating a CMV-induced superior mesenteric vein thrombosis: A case report.

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Reviewer: Grigoris Chatzimavroudis

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?: No

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

This is a well-written manuscript that reports an extremely rare case of superior mesenteric vein thrombosis due to CMV infection.

Comments

1) Figure 1 in its current form is unsuitable for publication. Please provide figure 1 in higher resolution. indicating with an arrow the thrombosed proximal superior mesenteric vein.

2) Please provide in the revised manuscript the exact dose of small-fractioned heparin that was given to the patient pre- and post-operatively. Is the patient on continuous anticoagulation treatment?

3) Please give detailed information regarding the complete coagulation profile you
performed on your patient postoperatively.

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests'