Reviewer's report

Title: Post-partum, post-sterilisation tubo-ovarian abscess caused by Fusobacterium necrophorum subsp. Funduliforme: a case report

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Reviewer: Branka Nikolic

Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: An unexpected event in the course of observing or treating a patient

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:

Reviewing this Case report Post-partum,post sterilisation tubo-ovarian abscess caused by Fusobacterium necrophorum subsp. funduliforme
I found unclear:
- The first sentence (Abstract...Case: "The patient..." stayed unclear when TOA developed:4 weeks after vaginal delivery, or 4 weeks after tubal sterilisation.
-When exactly was post partial tubal ligation done
-Was patient controlled after tubal ligation
- How can the authors explain decrease of hematocrit (25,5%) and the presence of 50 ml BLOODYpurulent fluid
- Could developed TOA be the consequence of both: incorrect hemostase after tubal ligation and the presence of Fusobacterium necrophorum subsp. funduliforme?

The authors are asked to make this work clear and return it to second review.

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Declaration of competing interests:**

'I declare that I have no competing interests'