Reviewer's report

Title: Pneumococcal polyarticular septic arthritis after a single infusion of infliximab in a rheumatoid arthritis patient: a case report

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Reviewer: Mohamed Yassin

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:

Excellent case and definately worth publishing. I have the following comments;
1) There is no blood culture requested (or reported). It is essential piece of patient care in febrile patients. Explanation is required in the discussion section
2) The isolate wa identified as PCN susceptibe Strept pneumo and MIC should be provided. In the discussion section there should be a hint why PCN was not used
3) The sentence 2nd before last in the case section; starts with "And". This is not very appropriate. I believe it should be " Bacteremia and pneumonia are the ...

Quality of written English: Acceptable