Reviewer’s report

Title: Hepatosplenic Gamma Delta T cell Lymphoma in a Young Male with Visceral Leishmaniasis: A Case Report

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Reviewer: PRANTAR CHAKRABARTI

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: New associations or variations in disease processes

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?: No

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: No

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

1. There are case reports in animals regarding association of Leishmaniasis with Gamma delta - T cell lymphomas. Please quote them

2. i(7q) represents the primary nonrandom cytogenetic abnormality in hepatosplenic gammadelta TCL, and plays a role in its pathogenesis. It is possible that by chance association, this person has developed Lymphoma. Other than temporal association, is there any more biological data to suggest that leishmaniasis led to the development of the lymphoma?

3. Introduction - first line – Please give Reference.

4. Have you reviewed the previous bone marrow slides yourselves?

5. Was autopsy performed in this case?
6. Avoid abbreviations like “BMA”.

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests