Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Low Pressure Headache Presenting in Early Pregnancy with Dramatic Response to Glucocorticoids: A Case Report

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**Comments to authors:**

Dr. Hashmi should cite a reference for the limitation of caffeine during pregnancy especially it that the use of caffeine for post-puncture or low pressure headache is a therapeutic regimen and not a life-style or habit regimen. Dr. Hashmi should describe in better detail how the diagnosis of low pressure headache was made. She only states the diagnosis was made after consultation with Neurology. Although not used during this patient, Dr. Hashmi may want to comment on the practice not to use gadolinium during pregnancy. I disagree with her reference. There are now several peer reviewed references stating for appropriate indications, gadolinium may be used during pregnancy. I have include one such reference(1). In the discussion, Dr. Hashmi may want to describe the use (or non-use) of corticosteroids for the treatment of low pressure headache in nonpregnant patients. A description of the proposed mechanism of action would be helpful to the reader.

Reference