Reviewer's report

Title: Type III Pleuropulmonary Blastoma in a 7-month-old baby girl with impending respiratory failure.

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Reviewer: Michele M Miraglia del Giudice

Which of the 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:

General Comments:
The subject is rare and of great interest and it may be an opportunity to encourage researchers to publish studies about unusual presentation of PPB.

This case report is complete, well structured and is very comprehensive.

The focus is on unusual age of presentation of the tumor that allows to hypothesize a tumor growth in the last phase of pregnancy or after delivery.

Clinical history and diagnostic pathway have been correctly and clearly described. The conclusions are pertinent and relevant for medical research.
Radiological and histological images are complete and useful to clearly frame the expansion and the type of the tumor.

Minor issues not for publication:
1-The manuscript would benefit from a grammatical review.
2- Abstract, 2 nd paragraph: "earlier than the type III" : use "than" instead of "that"
3- Background, 5 th paragraph: "...is reflective of a natural biologic progression..." : use "biological" instead of "biologic".
4- Background, 5 th paragraph: use "pathological" instead of "pathologic"
5- Case presentation, 16 th paragraph: " Brain MRI": Please, clarify the acronym MRI

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Declaration of competing interests: 
I declare that I have no competing interests