Reviewer’s report

Title: A presenting with Abnormal Fingernail Beds Following Carbon Monoxide Poisoning A Case Report and Review of the Literature

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Reviewer: Bharat Ved Prakash

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?: No

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: No

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: No

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

Needs extensive review of English Grammar. The title is grammatically incorrect. Irrelevant information from case presentation needs to be removed.
Needs more focus on presenting sign.
Needs more information to establish cause and effect. Its not very convincing that CO exposure caused these changes. Any previous photographs of fingernails? Were these changes present in all fingernails or only 2 which have been shown? Any trauma to fingers? How long after the exposure were these changes noticed? Are there any other conditions that can manifest with these kind of changes in fingernails?
Discussion needs to be shortened and needs to be more coherent. Special
emphasis needs to be on the fingernail abnormality.

**Quality of written English:** Not suitable for publication unless extensively edited

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