Reviewer's report

Title: Septic shock due to Aeromonas hydrophila bacteremia in a patient with alcoholic liver cirrhosis: a case report

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Reviewer: Yoshito Maeno

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?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

General comments:

The authors reported severe septic shock caused by A. hydrophila was well treated by rapid resuscitation with empiric chemotherapy and other organ-support therapies.

Revisions necessary for publication:

In Case Presentation,
1) Did the patient have ascites in admission?
2) Did the symptoms happen suddenly? If not, please clarify the history of the present illness, especially concerning to his alcohol intake.
In Discussion,
1) The authors explain the catecholamine-resistant hypotension and lactic-aidosis were caused by sepsis. How about the influence of vitamin B deficiency?
2) Please further discuss the spontaneous entry of A. hydrophila.

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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

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