Reviewer's report

Title: A young man with myelosuppression by clindamycin: A case report.

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Reviewer: Julie Gorchynski

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: Unreported or unusual side effects or adverse interactions involving medications

Has the case been reported coherently?: No

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?: 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:

There does appear to be an association between the Clindaymcin and the pancytopenia. However, the authors fail to mention an alternative hypothesis for the patient's pancytopenia which may have been the disease process. Thus causing immunosuppression due to the infectious nature alone.

Secondly, before publicaiton the English grammar throughout the manuscript needs improvement.

I belive the authors overstar that there was a direct correlation between Clindaymcyin and pancyoptenia. An association may be more appropriate rather than how the authors have stated it in their conclusion.

Lastly, there is no followup of the patient at 1 and 3 months to determine if his
myelosuppression has not returned.

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

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