Reviewer's report

Title: Antiphospholipid syndrome nephropathy - a diagnostic clue to primary antiphospholipid syndrome masquerading as vasculitis: a case report

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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:

This is an interesting case report which may be accepted for publication in JMCR, provided following minor points are addressed:

1. A standardized approach to the use of abbreviations should be followed, ie., a word should be spelled out fully followed by abbreviation and then only abbreviation should be used. In contrast, there are many places in this case report, where again full words are used. Where as other words are not fully spelled out, eg. APTT, ANA, ANCA, INR, etc.

2. The term antiphospholipid nephropathy should be changed to antiphospholipid syndrome nephropathy (APS N).

3. Word normal range should be written for creatinine values in the brackets.
4. In the text, it is written that renal biopsy showed organized thrombi, while in Figure 1, fresh thrombi are shown and described in the legend. The figure legend should be improved and only those changes should be given which are shown. Immunofluorescence findings should be given in text. Name of the stain should be given followed by magnification.

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Declaration of competing interests:**

These have been declared as None.