Reviewer’s report
Title: An unusual case of infective pneumocephalus: case report of pneumocephalus exacerbated by continuous positive airway pressure

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Reviewer: Namita Jayaprakash

Reviewer's report:
I thank the authors for carefully incorporating the reviewers' comments. The revised manuscript is significantly better with a clear message that the reader is able to follow. This is now a very interesting case that adds to the literature and highlights an important potential complication of CPAP use.

I do have a suggestion for the authors regarding the introduction. The improvements in this version are significant however, I would incorporate part of the introduction into the discussion as I feel it is better placed in this section.

Page 6, line 8, from 'Common side effects of CPAP...' to line 33, '...assisted breathing devices.' could be moved to the discussion section. I think the flow would be improved if this section is moved to the discussion right before page 12, line 29 'Although further research...'

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