Reviewer's report

Title: Inflammatory bowel disease (IBD)-like disease in a case of a 33-year old man with glycogenosis 1b

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Overall the case report is interesting and this is probably the oldest patient with glycogenosis presenting with IBD like disease reported. On most parts it is well written - some corrections as given below.

Minor Essential Revisions:

1. The Background and Case presentation should be clearly separated and not merged together. Also, there should be a heading with discussion and a small paragraph on conclusion (now the whole discussion and conclusion is merged together)

2. In the background the average age at presentation of IBD like disease should be mentioned and therefore emphasis should be made that this case reports an older patient

3. Case Presentation - history needs to be a bit more detailed particularly mentioning the duration of symptoms, any family history of IBD, clinical examination findings (any evidence of perioral disease / perianal disease etc and general examination - growth retardation, hepatosplenomagly etc

4. what was the neutrophil count? (only leukopenia mentioned). Inflammatory markers on presentation - ESR / CRP?

5. Discussion - should emphasise the older age and possible causes why there was a delayed presentation in age (is it because this patients has been on continuous GCSF and therefore neutrophil count has been maintained higher?)

6. For Figures - Imaging and endoscopy mixed up
suggest 1A / 1B - CT, 1C - US bowel, 1D/ E - endoscopy, 1F - histology

7. Line 104-107 - grammar correction

Discretionary Revisions:

1. Discussion - other theories postulated on the causes of IBD like disease in glycogenosis (and not just chronic infection of gut due to neutropenia)

2. Line 45 - protein level - there is a ? in the brackets - pls check on this
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

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

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