Reviewer’s report

Title: Infantile-onset inflammatory bowel disease in a patient with Hermansky-Pudlak syndrome: a case report

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Ishihara and colleagues present a case of a boy with Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome presenting at 6 months of age with diarrhea, fever and weight loss who by 11 months was diagnosed with what was labelled Crohn's-like inflammatory bowel disease. The case was well written and of great interest to anyone taking care of children with IBD or doing research in the area.

Several points that this review thinks should added:

1. When the colonoscopy was done, was the terminal ileum intubated and what were the findings?

2. Was an upper endoscopy done at the time, and if so, what were the findings?

3. No imaging was mentioned, this should be clarified.

4. Was any imaging done on the child?

5. Most important, in view of the great interest in very early onset IBD, the authors should include the specific panel that was done looking for primary immunodeficiency and IBD. There reference is from 5 years ago and there have multiple gene discoveries in this area.

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