Reviewer’s report

Title: Recurrent severe invasive pneumococcal disease including meningitis in an adult with previously unknown hyposplenia

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Ballegaard V et al. presented an interesting case of recurrent severe IPD in adult with previously unknown hyposplenia. The manuscript was well written and is of clinical importance.

Major compulsory revisions:

1. Better to change the title to " Recurrent severe invasive pneumococcal disease in an adult with previously unknown hyposplenia" as IPD already implied the possibility of meningitis.
2. No need to list all the diseases associated with hyposplenia and figure 1 (which is a table) should be removed.
3. Please discuss the possibility of B-cells hyporesponsiveness induced by the PPV-23 initially given to the patient.

Minor essential revisions:

line 55: prophylaxis

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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