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Invasive cutaneous Neoscytalidium infections in renal transplant recipients: a series of five cases: reported 5 interesting cases, with successful treatment. Some questions for the authors:

1) Neoscytalidium spp were identified by microscopic, I would suggest you to confirm this identification by sequencing to get strong proof for its correct and precise identification

2) You mentioned that you did biopsy and saw fungal element in tissue for diagnosis, better to show histopathology image in the manuscript.

3) Before the treatment, did you do in vitro antifungal susceptibility test? You used voriconazole which was successful, what about other antifungal agents, for example, terbinafine, posaconazole which is good for other black fungi?

4) In the highlight, you wrote: We show that medical treatment alone may be sufficient for treating Neoscytalidium, however, you get this highlight from only one case. I don't think this can be highlight, This might be depend on severity degree of the infection and host response, or other unknown factors.

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