Reviewer’s report

Title: Blackfly fever and dermatitis caused by Simulium kiritshenkoi: A human case report in Iran

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Reviewer: Andreas Krüger

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This rare disease report adds indeed to rather few others on blackfly dermatitis and other biting effects. It is concisely written and well supported, and there are only some minor corrections to be done, as follows.

1. p.2, Line10: should read "...these flies are considered as..."

2. p.2, Line 14: should read "...following numerous blackfly bites..."


4. p.3, line14: add as follows: ...importance in tropical and temperate regions...

5. p.4, lass paragraph: if the cause of Kawasaki has not yet been determined, how can you make any causal correlation to black flies from only one report? Explain!

6. p.5, line17: should read "...including winged adults and..."

7. p.5, line28: What is ectomorpha?? Not an insect, to my knowledge.

8. p.5, line 31: delete "use"; "suggested to wear..."

9. p.5, line 36: substitute "man" with "human case"

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