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Title: Subarachnoid small vein occlusion due to inflammatory fibrosis—a possible mechanism for cerebellar infarction in cryptococcal meningoencephalitis: a case report

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To: Richard Alan Rison

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Dear Dr. Richard:

Thank you very much for having considered our manuscript. I fundamentally agree with all these comments and incorporated them the Revise version 2. Red indicates the parts that I changed according to Review 2, blue for Reviewer 3. Otherwise, I did not touch the original manuscript.

I hope that you would evaluate this Revision version 2 positively.

Sincerely,

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Response to Reviewers

Red indicates the parts that I have changed according to the Reviewer 2’s advices. Blue indicates the parts that I have changed according to Reviewer 3’s suggestions.

To the Review 2

Thank you very much for your advice. I agree with all the points and have incorporated them to the R2 version (red color).

1. In order to publish this case I think that the discussion should be revised, I believe it should be more concise than its current version.

Answer: We have reconsidered the discussion part. We deleted some parts (page 9 line 8-10, page 10 line 10-17 in the previous version), which should make this article concise. Thank you for your advice.

To Reviewer 3

Thank you very much for your good advices. I agree with all points and have incorporated them to the R2 version (blue color).
1. Should not the title read cerebellar instead of cerebral? Authors are putting emphasis on posterior fossa involvement (including post mortem).

Answer: Thank you for your advice. We changed the title according to this advice. Please check at page 1, line 3.

2. Minor language changes: p6,l3 put "for one months" into brackets, p7,l9 matter instead of mater, p9,l9 a soap bubble to be put into quotation marks as "a soap bubble sign", p12,l2 use common instead of crucial, etc.

Answer:

Thank you for your advice. I corrected as much as possible. Confirm at page 6 line 3 and page 11 line 10. As far as we know, at page 7 line 19, “arachnoid mater” are more commonly used than “arachnoid matter” in this situation. Therefore, we didn’t correct this part. The term “a soap bubble sign” have been deleted according to the advice by Reviewer 2.