Reviewer’s report

Title: Disseminated Cryptococcosis Revealed by Transverse Myelitis in Immunocompetent Patient: A Case Report and Review of the Literature

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In this manuscript, the authors describe a patient with systemic criptococcosis presenting a spinal cord localization (transverse myelitis). They review the literature and discuss clinical challenges in non-immunocompromised patients.

The case is interesting but in my opinion requires a major revision:

1) I would suggest editing from a native English speaker

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   A) Differential diagnosis of fungal infections in the immunocompetent host
   
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   D) Conclusion

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