Reviewer's report

**Title:** Rapidly evolving conjunctivitis due to Pasteurella multocida, occurring after direct inoculation with animal droplets in an immunocompromised host.

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**Reviewer:** Alex Lau

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Conjunctivitis of acute onset secondary to an uncommon bacteria. However, Pasteurella multocida conjunctivitis has been reported previously:


Pasteurella multocida infection has also been reported in post-chemotherapy neutropenic patients:


**Case presentation**

- Is this a case of conjunctivitis with pre-septal cellulitis?
- Authors had stated that standard ophthalmic examination were unremarkable. It would be good to mention patient's presenting VA, IOP, presence/absence of RAPD and extraocular movements examination.
- Although WBC count was normal, should include WBC differential especially neutrophil & lymphocyte count.
- API 20E system is able to accurately identify P. multocida in 60-64% of the time.


Evaluation of different API systems for identification of porcine Pasteurella

- why intravenous amoxicillin AND amoxicillin/clavulanate were given together?
- any topical therapy given?
- how about PCR analysis for a quick and more accurate diagnosis of Pasteurella multocida?

Attachments
- Clinical photo A of the patient is blurred and attaching anterior segment photo showing purulent conjunctivitis would have been useful.
- microscopic picture of Pasteurella multocida?

**Level of interest:** An article of limited interest

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being published

**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