Reviewer’s report

Title: Successful resumption of tocilizumab for rheumatoid arthritis after resection of a pulmonary Mycobacterium avium complex lesion: A case report

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GENERAL COMMENTS

This is a well written and interesting case-report focusing on one of the most frequent pulmonary complications during treatment with biologics.

I have only a couple of minor suggestions to the current version of the manuscript.

MINOR COMMENTS

1) The conclusion of the discussion does not match the conclusion of the abstract, appearing too strong or too optimistic (especially the use of "enable"). I suggest changing the conclusion of the abstract according to the last two sentences of the discussion.

2) Is the DAS 28-CRP index available in this patient at treatment start with TCZ? Please add in the "case presentation".

3) It would be interesting to add a picture of the histological confirmation after lobectomy, if available.

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