Reviewer’s report

Title: Mesenteric cysts and mesenteric venous thrombosis led to intestinal necrosis in pregnancy and managed with laparotomy. Case report and review of the literature

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Reviewer: Michael Pitiakoudis

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1. Abstract should be restructured and shortened, especially its case presentation section.

2. Please check the punctuation throughout the whole manuscript.

3. Delete all the repetitions of your references. For example, at page 4/lines 11-14, this period should be 'Mesenteric cysts…abdominal entity. All over the mesentery…rectum [1]'.

4. Please restrict your case presentation section in order to be presented more properly and more clearly the patient's condition.

5. How did you manage your patient the first ten hours of her hospitalization? Did you perform any imaging diagnostic examinations? Why did not you perform a transvaginal or transabdominal ultrasound earlier in order to identify the cysts?

6. Describe the exact reasons (increased BMI, pregnancy, lack of equipment or experienced laparoscopists etc) which led you to perform an exploratory laparotomy and not an exploratory laparoscopy?

7. As this patient had many risk factors for possible postoperative pulmonary embolism, why did not you take the necessary prophylaxis in order to avoid its appearance?

8. Going throughout this manuscript, English language should strongly be revised. For example, at page 3/line 21, '27 year old' should be '27-year-old', at page 3/line 22, 'complaining of' should be 'complaining for' and much more throughout the whole manuscript. Advice of an English native speaker is suggested.

9. Medical terms should be used properly, instead of informal language. For instance, at page 4/line 49, 'free' should be 'unremarkable', at page 5/line 54, 'started taking' should be 'administered'.

10. Shorten the discussion section.

11. In conclusion section, include mostly your suggestions and proposals or the reasons for the importance of this case report and no other already known general comments.
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