Reviewer’s report

Title: Tuberculous Meningoencephalitis associated with Brain Tuberculomas during Pregnancy: Case report

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An extremely interesting and rare case of manifestation of CNS tuberculosis during pregnancy is here presented. However, regarding the content of the manuscript, the authors forgot in their introduction to cite the relevant literature, which would reveal the unique clinical aspects of the presented case. Reasoning explaining the necessity for the performed diagnostic procedures is sometimes missing. For example it remains unclear why a brain - MRI was performed three weeks after starting an antimycobacterial therapy, when the patient presented with vaginal bleeding. Further, the authors conclude with recommending 'early screening for CNS tuberculosis during pregnancy', in countries with high prevalence of tuberculosis', but they do not discuss, or even mention the diagnostic modalities, which would be required for such a screening. In my opinion, this case should underscore the necessity of prompt starting of an empirical antimicrobial therapy in such a case of meningitis (patient with meningitis, fitting CSF findings, fitting medical history, origin from a region of high prevalence of tuberculosis) which is crucial for patient outcome. Finally, the quality of English language is unsatisfactory.

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