Author’s response to reviews

Title: A Rare Case of Primary Purulent Bacterial Pericarditis due to Streptococcus Intermedius in an Immunocompetent Adult: A Case Report

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Response to Reviewer 1:

Thank you for your suggestions. I have corrected the grammatical errors and spelling mistakes in the manuscript.

Response to Reviewer 2:

Thank you for your suggestions. Yes you are right there is a case report of purulent pericarditis by streptococcus intermedius published by Denby et al in August 2017 but patient described in their case report is a paediatric patient however our patient is an adult. So what I meant was the first case of primary purulent pericarditis by S. intermedius in an adult patient. Nevertheless, I have rewritten that paragraph in a manner that is more relevant with regards to our case. Please have a look and suggest changes.
Response to Reviewer 3:

Thank you for your suggestions. Please see my response below

1. I have rewritten the sentence in a more meaningful manner.

2. I have included baseline investigations.

3. Antibiotics and their dosage have been included.

4. I am sure what was the exact etiology for development of PE. But the patient was not started on DVT prophylaxis with Subcutaneous heparin which might have contributed to development to PE along with other factors such as being in hospital and not ambulating.

5. Blood cultures grew streptococcus intermedius and i have included it in manuscript.

6. Investigations done were CT abdomen and chest, UA, urine and blood culture. I have included these in manuscript.

7. HIT was managed by immediately stopping heparin infusion and starting argatroban infusion. Later patient was switched to oral warfarin. I have included these.