Author’s response to reviews

Title: Lymph node abscess caused by Franciscella tularensis – a rare differential diagnosis for cervical lymph node swelling: A case report

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• Reviewer 1:
  a) Diagnostic methods: Data about diagnostic methods including target genes of the qPCR was added. Unfortunately, no bands of a PCR gel are available as a qPCR was done.

• Reviewer 2:
  a) Patient information: Additional information about the patient was added. The patient was healthy and did not have any comorbidities. Important results of blood tests (leucocytes, C-reactive protein) were attached.
  b) Drug administration: Dosage and route of the antibiotics administered to the patient were updated. An additional table for the milestones of the disease including the antibiotic regime was created.

• Reviewer 3:
  a) Abstract: The abstract has been updated and rewritten while correcting grammar and spelling to achieve a maximum of amount of information.
• Reviewer 4:

a) Ethical concerns: No ethical approval was needed as the article does not contain any study. A corresponding paragraph was added to the manuscript.

b) Summery of the case: Important dates and treatment steps were summarized in an additional table (Table 1).

• All reviewers:

a) Language: The article was carefully revised for language, grammar and spelling.