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

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For clarification, more detailed information about PCR testing is wanted. Especially, for the primer sequence and PCR condition, and hopefully the picture of band detected in the gel.

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No, this is quite nice educational case.

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