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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a single case report description of a pediatric case with ALK + LBCL on the diagnosis and follow-up treatment regime with a short write up of the literature. Overall the paper is well written and descriptive with pertinent clinical and test result information to the reader. As this is a rare disease, such limited cases do add to the limited literature. Importantly is the report on targeted tyrosine kinase inhibitor treatment (Alectinib) in ALK + LBCL in a child. Minor comments include: 1. Update on the WHO classification of lymphoid neoplasms is given in the later 2016 version (Swerdlow SH et al., Blood 127(20):2375-2390). Authors used the older 2008 version. 2. Page 9, please provide manufacturer of the ALK breakapart probe used in the assay. 3. Page 10, t(2;17)(p23;q23). 4. References- Use first 6 authors followed by et al. 5. Minor word spacings are needed. Many words are joined together.