

JOURNAL REVISION LETTER

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Dear Editor,

We are submitting a revised version of Manuscript NO. 65337 titled “Chorioamnionitis caused by *Serratia marcescens* in a healthcare worker: A case report” to be considered for publication in the World Journal of Clinical Cases.

Thank you for allowing us to revise and resubmit this manuscript. We appreciate the time and comments provided by you and the reviewers. We have incorporated the suggested changes in the revised manuscript to the best of our ability. The manuscript has benefited from these insightful comments and suggestions. We look forward to working with you and the reviewers to make this manuscript publication-worthy in the World Journal of Clinical Cases.

We have responded to each comment and suggestion below. Changes are described in red letters in the text so that you can easily identify them.

## Reviewer #1 Comments:

**Please redefine the conclusion and make it consistent with the aim of the review.**

Thank you for the reviewer for your valuable time as well as your recommendations.

According to your recommendation, we have changed the text and clarify the meaning.

### **Changed Abstract (Conclusion)**

HCWs can be exposed to pathogens that can cause opportunistic infections such as *S. marcescens*. Pregnancy affects the immune system, making it susceptible to opportunistic infections. Therefore, pregnant HCWs may require more preventive measures, including hand hygiene and avoid risk factors (ex. wrapping the skin).

### **Changed Main manuscript (Conclusion)**

This case is important because even a healthy HCW may be vulnerable to infection due to the immune system changes that occur during pregnancy. HCWs should be aware and cautioned that there is a risk of opportunistic infections at work. Also, HCWs who are pregnant may require more preventive precautions, including hand hygiene, and avoid risk factors (ex. wrapping the skin).

**Please check the language and improve the grammar and drafting.**

We have modified some of the English expressions.

Abstract, CASE SUMMARY

Page 3, Line 12

At three weeks before the fever had a blister on the site of contact dermatitis on both hands

⇒ At three weeks before the fever started, she had a blister on the site of contact dermatitis on both hands

Page 3, Line 13

she applied antibiotic ointment for three days and treated.

⇒ she applied antibiotic ointment for three days and the blisters had healed.

Page 3, Line 17

However, it was miscarried at 22<sup>4/7</sup> weeks gestation.

⇒ However, she suffered a miscarriage at 22<sup>4/7</sup> weeks gestation.

Core tip

Page 3, Line 25

In this case, a 33-year-old female patient suffered a miscarriage due to chorioamnionitis due to serratia infection

⇒ In this case, a 33-year-old female patient suffered a miscarriage due to chorioamnionitis cause by *S. marcescens* infection.

History of past illness

Page 5, Line 2-3

she applied antibiotic ointment for three days and treated.

⇒ she applied antibiotic ointment for three days and the blisters had healed.