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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I would like to congratulate the authors on completing the paper, and on sharing their experience with practitioners around the world. The authors have made an attempt to share an anecdote of ritodrine, a commonly used tocolytic leading to toxic epidermal necrosis. The authors have done an appreciable job of explaining the necessary details in terms of the development, diagnosis and treatment of TEN. The discussion section is succinct and the authors have justified their actions well. Much of my comments (attached as a word file) revolve around the language used.

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A very interesting case report in patients with premature contractions with the use of ritodrine, indomethacin, and dexamethasone drugs with side effects of TEN. A good outcome for the patient and the baby. Good job. 1. Please explain why the author continues to give ritodrine to the patient when the symptoms of TEN appear. Is this very dangerous for the patient and the fetus? 2. Please describe the limitations of this case report especially on the determination that ritodrine is the main cause of TEN 3.

Reference numbers 5 and 7 are the same reference

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In this article, the authors reported a case who had diabetes mellitus and threatened premature labor during the second trimester and developed TEN after administration of insulin, ritodrine hydrochloride, indomethacin, and dexamethasone. Toxic epidermal necrolysis (TEN) is a rare life-threatening cutaneous drug reaction, which may be a threat to the mother and the fetus during pregnancy. So, the report will be useful to remind doctors to re-evaluate the effectiveness and safety of ritodrine when the tocolytic agents is conducted. Queries and suggestions are listed as follows. 1.

Although the title is Toxic epidermal necrolysis induced by tocolytics in pregnancy, the role of indomethacin could not be ruled out. In this case, TEN appeared after the combination of indomethacin and ritodrine, and other agents. As the authors described, insulin and corticosteroids were not considered to be the trigger. However, the relationship between TEN and indomethacin cannot be ruled out. Indomethacin has been reported to be a cause of TEN, and TEN usually develops 2-35 d after starting indomethacin. This case developed TEN 15 days after starting indomethacin. Although it is 10 days after withdrawing indomethacin, delayed type hypersensitivity (DTH) triggered by indomethacin could not be ruled out. 2. Please provide the

duration of all treatments in table 1. 3. Please provide a figure or chart to display the relationship between the application of all treatments and the appearance of skin injury. 4. As the skin injury covers the whole body. It would be better to provide more pictures of different parts and different stages.