

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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**Manuscript NO:** 77378

**Title:** Idiopathic cholesterol crystal embolism with atheroembolic renal disease and blue toes syndrome: A case report

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| Conclusion         | <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection             |
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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Dear Editor, The authors describe a case report of cholesterol crystal embolization and treatment with corticosteroids. The work is interesting and well presented and confirms the inflammatory state generated by the presence of these crystals locally. Authors should carefully review English throughout the manuscript.

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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The authors have analyzed an interesting case of idiopathic cholesterol crystal embolism with atheroembolic renal disease and blue toes syndrome. In order to improve the quality of the manuscript, the following corrections are proposed: - Figure 4 should define the meaning of the abbreviations - The word "stain" is used, which probably should be replaced by "statin". - Renal function, measured by serum creatinine, improves over time, but have creatinine clearance (GFR or eGFR) and proteinuria been studied?

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Dear Authors, I find your case interesting and well-documented. I have not additional comments for you.