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

1. Authors reported an uncommon case of VZV-TM in an immune-competent patient. However, we are able to find several cases of literatures related to VZV-TM. How might this case report impact clinical practice? Are there any specific differences from previous literatures? 2. The detection of VZV antibodies and VZV DNA in CSF are confirmatory diagnostic tests. How did you confirm this TM originated from VZV? 3. You recommended that early application of a combination treatment using antivirals and corticosteroids might benefit. Should we use corticosteroids? How much steroid would you recommend for the treatment? 4. You presented one patient case. So you need to change “patients” to “a patient” in TITLE. 5. IRB approval needs to be mentioned. Thank you for your submission.