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<b>Conclusion</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept (High priority) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accept (General priority) <input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision <input type="checkbox"/> Major revision <input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
<b>Re-review</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Peer-reviewer statements</b>	Peer-Review: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous <input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
	Conflicts-of-Interest: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

1.The authors described three cases of pulmonary cryptococcosis in patients with CD who received immunomodulatory treatment. Pulmonary cryptococcus infection is an opportunistic infection that occurs in immunocompromised patients with CD, which is important for the clinicians in the practice. 2.However, in your figures, you should present more larger fold of HE staining pictures, so as to confirm the infection of the fungus. 3.The paper is well written and the language quality is excellent.



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Comments to the Editor: Thanks for inviting me to review the article entitled “Pulmonary cryptococcosis after immunomodulator treatment in patients with Crohn’s disease: three case reports and literature review”

Comments to the authors:

- TITLE** It reflects the major content of the article.
- ABSTRACT** It gives a clear delineation of the research background. Duration for treatment with fluconazole is missing and has to be added. Conclusion is presented.
- INTRODUCTION**
  - Provides sufficient background regarding the studied topic.
  - The aim is clearly identified.
- Case Presentation:** Full description is provided for this section; however, the following have to be considered:
  - Abbreviations are better to be avoided.
  - Case 2: dose of IFX has to be mentioned.
  - Case 3: dose of MP has to be mentioned.
  - Laboratory examinations:
    - Metagenomic sequencing is missing for all cases and has to be added.
    - Case 2: CA-125, G test & GM test: significance & indication for each are better to be mentioned.
    - Case 3: significance & indication for each are better to be mentioned.
  - Tables (1& 2) are informative, but a column for co-morbidity is better to be added for table (2)
  - Fig (2-A) legend: treatment has to be specified.
  - Treatment: Case (1): Start of



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treatment and for how long has better to be mentioned. 6. DISCUSSION: An overall theoretical analysis concerning the provided data is well covered. The analysis of the study results is of value. 7-REFERENCES: o Relevant sufficient & updated references were cited. o The journal style in writing references is well maintained