

1. Reviewer 1: -

- Question: Information regarding the kidney biopsy findings and the patient's outcome should be included in the case presentation instead of the discussion.
- Answer: We incorporated the required alterations in accordance with the feedback provided by the reviewer.

2. Reviewer 2: -

- Question: why they chose to simultaneously administer high dose steroids along with doxycycline in a patient with active infection and history of hepatic cirrhosis. In other words, I think that antibiotic therapy alone initially (and potentially followed by steroids as second step therapy) would be a valid option since anaplasmosis was considered to be the underlying cause of MPGN.
- Answer: - Even though we initially agreed on using antibiotics alone, we decided to commence a pulse of steroids and a subsequent taper of prednisone, as the patient's kidney biopsy revealed signs of inflammation and edema in the renal tissue.