

Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (WJH (No 5660 revision1) .doc).

Title: Chronic disseminated Candidiasis combined with rupture of fungal cranial aneurysm: a successful antifungal treatment followed by unrelated bone marrow transplantation in a child with relapsed acute lymphocytic leukemia

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers :

Corrected part is written in red color.

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer (00225156)

(1) Although most abbreviations are explained, the term "HR" (page 3) should also be clarified for the readers.

HR is clarified as "HR (high risk)".

(2) The case report is a bit confusing (in contrast to the excellent discussion), as the day numbers are not always in the right order (for example the events on day 54 are related before those on day 44). This should be clarified throughout the case report.

Case report section is revised as the day numbers are in the right order.

(3) On figure 2, arrows should also be added to the lower images for a better clarity.

Legend of figure2 is added and arrows are presented in the lower figure as indicated.

(4) Even if the family of the patient agreed with the publication of the data, what about the authorization from the local ethics committee?

Our institute authorized that we published this case report as well as the patient's family agreed.

Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer (00504578)

(A) The title is confusing or not well addressing what the authors describe. May be it would be better to change in another way (i.e "Chronic disseminated Candidiasis combined with rupture of fungal cranial aneurysm: a successful antifungal treatment followed by unrelated bone marrow transplantation in a child with multiple relapsed acute lymphoblastic leukemia")

The title is changed according to the comment.

(B) useful to shorten as much as possible the description of clinical course (for example page 3,lines 4 to 14) and the Discussion(for example page7, lines 4 to 8 and page8 ,lines 14 to 17)

Case report is shortened as suggested.

(C) There is a lack of details about GVHD immunosuppression or presentation; no data about immunological recovery in the first 3 months after BMT.

GVHD prophylaxis is added in the text.

(D) The authors should be cautious about the successfull of BMT : a Follow up of 3 months is too early to exclude a further relapse of ALL

In this patient, maintenance of long term remission is a secondary importance. The most important and reportable point is that the patient survived without recurrence of candidiasis through re-induction chemotherapy and allogeneic stem cell transplantation. We commented about the criticism of reviewer in this point as below.

“He has been in remission for more than 3 months after BMT, although we have to be careful how long the patient remains in remission.”

(E) The authors should mention their recommendations about the lenght or management of post-transplant antifungal prophylaxis in a case like that

We will continue prophylactic anti-fungal drug for at least one year after SCT in this case although engraftment has been completed as expected. However, there is no evidence-based guideline for the case of chronic candidiaais such as our case. In this report, we are moderate in discussion in this matter.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

Thank you again for publishing our manuscript in the *World Journal of Hematology*.

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