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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Authors present the case of a young female affected by BRBNS. This work is interesting because of the rarity of reported cases in children. Only minor comments.

1. The term “hemangioma” is commonly used to name different types of vascular tumors as well as vascular malformations. However, considered the different constitution, natural evolution, and treatment, I suggest naming GI lesions of BRBNS as “vascular malformations” or “venous malformation”.
2. Authors reported that several other episodes of a critical decrease in hemoglobin occurred in the first years of life of the patient; how were they managed? Did the child require blood transfusions? Did she receive oral iron supplements?
3. Different therapeutic approaches have been used to treat BRBNS over time. Recently, the efficacy of medical management with sirolimus is becoming very promising (Cardoso, H., et al. (2016). "Successful treatment with sirolimus of a patient with Blue Rubber Bleb Nevus syndrome." *J Gastroenterol Hepatol* 31(3); Fox, V. L. (2018). "New therapies for vascular anomalies of the GI tract." *Minerva Pediatr*), as also stated in discussion of this report. The advantages of medical treatment are further sustained by the multiorgan nature of this disease in a considerable proportion of the reported patients. Understandably, various alternatives can be used, but I suggest that discussion is reviewed with more emphasis in the medical management.
4. Considering the invasiveness of multiple endoscopy treatments, it could be interesting to discuss the purpose of treatment chosen: avoid medical therapy side effects? avoid surgery? transfusion?