

64239-Answering Reviewers

Round 1

Dear reviewer:

Thank you for your professional and kindly reviews. The answering to your advice is as follows:

1. Please remove short forms from abstract.

Short forms have been removed from abstract.

2. Please provide a much more improved history of present illness. Authors have not even described clinical characteristics of the abdominal masses. Very unfortunate!

Authors have added some information about history of present illness including characteristics of the abdominal mass.

3. Please don't use brand names of common drugs.

It has been already changed.

4. Too much of manuscript has been written in parentheses, please use parentheses sparingly (less).

Some redundant parentheses have been deleted.

5. Please provide exact outcome at 1 year, including clinical, radiological, and biochemical in the text of the manuscript and also in abstract. Vague outcome data has been provided in abstract.

It has been added the follow-up of sixteen months after finishing one-year treatment about two masses on the right back.

6. Less than appropriate quality of radiographic images have been provided which also have patient information on them. Kindly provide digital images of the CT (by importing the DICOM files) and remove the annotations at the corners.

We removed the annotations at the corners on these pictures, but we are sorry that we can't provide the DICOM files because these files were from other hospital.

7. While authors have done literature review of the case and its management, they haven't done much with regards to the NGS of FFPE specimens. Please expand the discussion.

We expand the literature and discussion regards to the NGS of FFPE (refer to references 20-24) .

Round 2

Dear reviewer:

Thank you for your professional and kindly reviews. The answering to your advice is as follows:

- 1 Unfortunately, after the additions, there are several (dozens) of grammatical and linguistic errors that seem to have crept in. Please correct.

Authors carefully corrected some grammatical and linguistic errors.

- 2 Many sentences are written very oddly. E.g. the abscesses gradually narrowed - the right phrase is - the abscesses gradually decreased in size. There are several such oddly written statements in the manuscript which should be corrected.

Authors carefully corrected these improperly written statements.

- 3 Conclusion is very poorly written in manuscript. Kindly rewrite from scratch.

Conclusion has rewritten as "Next-generation sequencing is a promising tool for the rapid and accurate diagnosis of rare pathogens based on negative results with the conventional culture, even if using formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded specimen."