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### SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors present the case of hepatobiliary tuberculosis. The case presentation is so interesting, however, I have some concerns to discuss. -What is the difference between hepatobiliary and soft tissue? Please discuss with reference the following article. Tuberculoma with phlegmon-like symptoms mimicking soft tissue sarcoma in the wrist: A case report. Mol Clin Oncol. 2018 Aug;9(2):207-210. doi: 10.3892/mco.2018.1652. Epub 2018 Jun 12. PMID: 30101023; PMCID: PMC6083412. -Is any side effect occur?



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