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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The report “Varicella-zoster virus-associated meningitis, encephalitis, and myelitis with sporadic skin blisters: A case report” is interesting and somehow original (HZ sine herpete inducing widespread neural infection)]. It is well illustrated (although figures 3 and 4 could be joined and figure 6 is not necessary); Table 1 could be deleted and relevant findings briefly described in the text. 1. The authors should clarify whether the patient had chronic diabetes (P5,p5,L1) (mild?) or the disease was diagnosed at the time of HZ (P6,p6,L3). 2. At the treatment lines the administration of acyclovir must be explained (oral, IV, IM?). 3. Bilateral blisters is an uncommon dermic manifestation of VZV in old patients. 4. This report could be shortened if necessary. 5. “myelitis-associated symptoms” (P3,p2,L13) could be better explained by “urinary retention and gait disturbances persisted...”