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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

On MRI figure legends, axial plane MR should be used instead of “Cross-sectional” expression. In the first sentences describing the images of the cases in the imaging examinations section, the expressions "hypointense T1 or hyperintense T2" are preferred instead of "long T1 and long T2 signals". Please make the necessary changes.

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The manuscript of "Familial mitochondrial encephalomyopathy with lactic acidosis and stroke-like episode syndrome : a case report" by Xiao Yang and Le-Jun Fu aims to review clinical manifestations, muscle pathological examination, and genetic testing in three clinical cases of familial MELAS syndrome. The manuscript is well written, and it describes some recommendations for the management of patients with MELAS syndrome and their families. The manuscript may be accepted for publication in its current form. Comment: In the Discussion section, the role of mtDNA A3243G, A8344G and T8933C (G) gene mutations found in the patients can be discussed in more detail.