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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an excellent case report of dyskeratosis congenita with a novel genetic variant. The case presentation and discussion are generally well described. I would like to make a few recommendations to improve this case report.

1. Dyskeratosis congenita and collagen disease The authors describe dyskeratosis congenita as a rare genetic disease. For readers who do not specialise in this field, the frequency of this disease should also be explained. Collagen diseases such as dermatomyositis and systemic lupus erythematosus also come up in the differential as diseases that generally present with haematopoietic and skin disorders in young females. Have screening tests such as antinuclear antibodies been performed for these diseases?
2. Differentiating fungal infections The patient was treated with high-dose prednisolone. Prednisolone can cause a high risk of infection. Was fungal infection considered as a differential for the white lesions on the skin and tongue in that patient? In Figure 1C, light reflections and leukokeratosis plaques on the surface of the tongue are difficult to distinguish. Also, the oral cavity is dark and difficult to see. Therefore, a photograph in which the palate or posterior wall of the pharynx is illuminated rather than the surface of the tongue is more desirable.
- 3 Genetic counselling It is excellent that an accurate diagnosis was made promptly in this case. As the authors point out, there is no fundamental treatment for this disease. Has appropriate mental care and support been provided for these patients? For example, were regular genetic counselling or consultation to a psychiatrist considered?

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This is a good paper, on a very interesting topic. Since the condition is rare and genetic, a table with review of most important literature sources would be good for readers. Also, there is no language editing certificate for non-native English authors included in the system. Can you provide one?

RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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The authors responded appropriately to the reviewers' comments. The manuscript is considered to meet the criteria for accept.