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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a nice paper highlighting a rare disease by reporting a highly researched case. There are some issues with grammar and vocabulary that need to be fixed. Apart from that, it would be appropriate for the authors to explain exactly which criteria were met and how each criterion was met in order to reach the final diagnosis (in the final diagnosis section).

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Very interesting case report. I have few comments- 1) It will be helpful to the readers to focus on case history if it is shortened and you describe only relevant findings. Whole case presentation can be included in 3 or 4 paragraphs. there is no need for separate paragraphs for personal history and other minor details. I recommend authors to review case reports in ACG journal and rewrite this manuscript. 2) Kpa in fibroscan was 21, does the patient have cirrhosis, do we have any records of upper gastrointestinal endoscopy or liver biopsy. I assume increased liver stiffness is from right heart overload/failure. 3) Did you measure serum ascites albumin gradient, this is important in evaluation of ascites 4. Many acronyms like PPD, CT, PET need to be explained at the first instance where you refer to them 5. I suggest that the discussion and conclusion also made precise