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PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Scientific quality	[] Grade A: Excellent [] Grade B: Very good [Y] Grade C: Good [] Grade D: Fair [] Grade E: Do not publish
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Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript	[] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Good [] Grade C: Fair [] Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	[] Grade A: Priority publishing [Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[] Accept (High priority) [] Accept (General priority) [Y] Minor revision [] Major revision [] Rejection
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

1. The work of Liao and colleagues is an interesting but succinct case report (and literature review of the topic) of a 57-year-old Chinese man affected by a corneal fungal infection after filtering bleb repair.. The case is particularly interesting given the rarity of the development of a corneal fungal infection after filtering bleb repair. So I suggest considering this work for World Journal of Clinical Cases. Please see below my minor comments for improving the manuscript: 2. I suggest improving the introduction with more information on filtering bleb in general and the development of a corneal fungal infection 3. Where haematological data been collected and annotated? If yes, they can be included in the report 4. Discussion, concerning the "chronic and persistent weak inflammatory responses" these two references on inflammogenesis should be included https://www.mdpi.com/2072-6694/14/5/1116 and https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6628010/ 5. Please include study limitations in the discussion 6. Figure 1, panel b is difficult to be seen given the presence of the camera light, is it possible to improve the quality of the image?