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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a good case report for periprosthetic infections with brucella species are rare in nonendemic countries. So it is recommended that clinicians should consider brucellosis as a possible cause of difficult to treatment periprosthetic infection in patients originating from endemic countries. Meanwhile, I also regard that it is debatable whether the real cause of knee pain eventually leading to TKA in 2015 was chronic osteoarticular brucellosis rather than osteoarthritis.

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This case report presented the case of a 68-year-old Afghan woman with a periprosthetic knee infection caused by *Brucella melitensis*. There are some typos in the manuscript which need to be corrected. Also, the format of the manuscript should be adjusted to meet the requirements of the journal.