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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Lugao RS, et al reported a case of ITP associated with intestinal tuberculosis in a liver transplant recipient. The mechanism of ITP associated with tuberculosis is not well elucidated, and clinical responses after initial therapy should be considered in cases of ITP unresponsive to steroids and intravenous immunoglobulin, especially in immunocompromised patients including organ transplant recipients. It is difficult to make a diagnosis of ITP related tuberculosis, and a timely therapy is important even in a suspicious case. Please state the interest points of your case, and an importance of a timely therapy for ITP associated with tuberculosis. The CORE TIP section as described in Author Guideline is required, and I guess that these points should be mentioned in CORE TIP section.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript by Lugao et al is well written and informative. However there are some caveats that should be discussed by the authors: 1- There are over 100 entries in pubmed linking tuberculosis and thrombocytopenic purpura, and at least 1 of them with intestinal tuberculosis (Olave MT, Sangre (Barc) 1999). Therefore the authors should remove/modify their statement in the introduction ("Here, we report the first case of ITP associated with intestinal tuberculosis) and also in the discussion ("to our knowledge, there are no reports of ITP associated with intestinal tuberculosis"). 2- Do the authors have an explanation for the clinical onset with pancytopenia? Did hemoglobin values and leukocyte count improve with steroids or anti-tuberculosis therapy? 3- The authors should further describe and discuss the initial immunosuppressive regimen (trough concentrations of tacrolimus), and its modification after the diagnosis of tuberculosis.

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a well described and interesting case report. However there are some grammatical errors, i.e. "IPT" instead of "ITP" in paragraph "Case Report" and "Discussion". Furthermore it is unclear whether the immunosuppression with tacrolimus was finished at the time of ITP-diagnosis. Maybe tacrolimus could be also the trigger for the development of ITP. This should be recorded in the discussion.