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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A (Excellent)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority Publishing	Google Search:	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept
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<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E (Poor)		<input type="checkbox"/> No records	<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision

**COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

In this paper, the authors comprehensively reviewed the epidemiology, pathophysiology, etiology, clinical presentation, differential diagnoses, management, complications, and prognosis of black hairy tongue syndrome. The paper is well organised and logically written and the content is a useful reference for clinical practice. Minor comments 1. Page 8, "thymol, ," the extra "," needs to be deleted. 2. In Figure 2 and Figure Legends, "B) Normal tongue" should be "C) Normal tongue".

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I was able to review the manuscript Black Hairy Tongue syndrome which provides a nice comprehensive review of this condition. The manuscript is well organized and thorough. There are some minor typographical errors, eg. In the Abstract: Complications of BHT (...)AND typically respond to therapy. AND should be removed in this sentence. page 9 third line thymol, , and topical (two commas) Figure 2 B) normal tongue should be C)