



**PEER-REVIEW REPORT**

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Title and running title: accurately reflects the topic and contents of the paper. Abstract: is appropriate, structured, 240 words. Key words: 7 key words, precisely define the content of the paper. Core tip: is appropriate, 139 words. Introduction: is informative,



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short, 139 words, the reader is acquainted with the known facts about basic characteristics of this syndrome and the associations with diseases of other organs are explained. HPS types 1 and 4 can be associated with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD)-like disorder of the gastrointestinal tract. Case report: informative, 481 words, key data about the female patient are presented: chief complaints, history of present/past illness, clinical examination at admission, laboratory data, results of imaging procedures (Fig 1, 2), treatment and follow-up and unfortunately, a fatal outcome 3 months later due to advanced pulmonary fibrosis. Discussion: 739 words, the characteristics and the incidence of this syndrome are presented (high in Puerto Rico: 1/1,800 persons, approximately 1/22 persons are carriers of the gene; Western world: 1/500,000 and 1/1,000,000). The authors emphasize the fact that since 1980 they have already been several descriptions of granulomatous colitis associated with this syndrome. In the international literature are 9 cases of HPS where patients received anti-TNF $\alpha$  therapy. The authors also point to an important problem in dealing with these patients: the delay in diagnosing this rare condition. The discussion is appropriate, relevant. Conclusion: short, 51 words, the authors conclude on the effectiveness of corticosteroids, azathioprine and infliximab in the described female patient with severe colitis and HPS. References: 15, from the period 1959 (Blood) - 2018 (Nat Rev Gastroenterol Hepatol), references are appropriate. Conflict of interest: the authors declared no conflict of interest. Informed consent statement: the patient died before writing the report which is in accordance of the Declaration of Helsinki and its latter amendments. Opinion of the reviewer The manuscript is very interesting, I suggest to accept the contribution with minor language corrections.

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Dr. Girot, et al. reported ‘Crohn’s-like acute severe colitis associated with Hermansky-Pudlak syndrome: a case report’. The manuscript is informative and well-presented. The reviewer has no comments.



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