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Peer Review Report for "The Trend of Changes in Paranasal CT Scan in Patients with Hematologic Malignancy Under Chemotherapy"

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1 Feb 2020

Dear AE,

1. The subject topic is relevant, the methodology is adequate, and the logical conclusion is acceptable.

2. All abbreviations such as MDS, ALL, CLL, and MM need to be spelled out at the beginning of the article or the first time it is used in the text.

3. The article is riddled with spelling, grammatical, and punctuations errors and there are many incomprehensible sentences: Here are a few examples:

- Title: CTscan => CT Scan
- Abstract – Objectives: (PNS CT)in => (PNS CT) in
- Theaching => teaching
- between2017 => between 2017
- investigations.symptoms => investigations. Symptoms

Incomprehensible:

- Results: Around 50% of patients with paranasal abnormality suggesting inflammatory process including microbial and fungal sinusitis during prolonged febrile neutropenia(more than 4 days)were confirmed that have had similar involvement with no significant changes febrile starting chemotherapy.

- that may misleading as probable invasive fungal sinusitis
- “in these patients can be very risky and, in some cases, impossible”

Thanks.

REFEREE: Associate Editor | **Revision** (0) 8 Feb 2020

Dear EIC,

The author should revise the manuscript according to the reviewer's comments.

Thanks.

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Dear Authors,

Thank you for submitting your manuscript to IJCM. Please revise your manuscript according to the reviewer's comments.

Thanks.

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Reviewers' Comments:

Authors' point by point responses to the respected reviewers' comments (Manuscript ID number: *100684*, Title of paper:

"The trend of changes in paranasal CT scan in patients with hematologic malignancy under chemotherapy"

Dear Professor Akbari,

We **agreed** to all comments made by the respected reviewers and revised our paper accordingly.

We appreciate the amazing comments made by the reviewers and the impact of those comments on the quality of our paper.

Yours sincerely,

corresponding author

Comments:

Reviewer 1:

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✓ **Agreed;** All abbreviations revised through the manuscript and heighlighted.

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✓ **Agreed;** thanks, these mistakes are corrected.

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chemotherapy.

- That may misleading as probable invasive fungal sinusitis.

- "in these patients can be very risky and, in some cases, impossible"

✓ **Agreed;** these sentences are revised.

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I reviewed the changes. The article has significantly improved and is now appropriate for publication.
Thanks.

REFEREE: Associate Editor | **Revision** (1) 13 Apr 2020

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Thanks.

REFEREE: EIC | **Revision** (1) 16 Apr 2020

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Best regards

Shiva Shabani

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The document is reviewed carefully by the reviewers. According to their comments and your revisions as requested, this manuscript is accepted.
Thanks.