

## Review Form 1.7

Journal Name:	<b>Asian Journal of Pediatric Research</b>
Manuscript Number:	<b>Ms_AJPR_104808</b>
Title of the Manuscript:	<b>Infantile sternal tuberculosis: A case report</b>
Type of the Article	<b>Case study</b>

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. <b>Is the manuscript important for scientific community?</b> (Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. <b>Is the title of the article suitable?</b> (If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. <b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</b></p> <p>4. <b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></p> <p>5. <b>Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</b></p> <p>6. <b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</b></p> <p><b>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</b></p>	<p><b>Yes. The case describes a rare presentation of TB</b></p> <p><b>No. The word Infant is not suitable since the patient is 14 y old. Suggest Tuberculous osteomyelitis presenting as a sternal mass in paediatric patient: A case report</b></p> <p><b>Yes</b> <b>Need changes in relation to the word "infant" when mentioning about the 14 y old child.</b> <b>Case presentation</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Does the patient have a contact history of TB</b></li> <li><b>Need to mention the country of origin for the readers to understand the prevalence of TB in the region.</b></li> <li><b>Does the patient Chest Xray show any evidence of pulmonary TB, or Any CT changes in the lung? Please mention it in the manuscript</b></li> <li><b>Please provide histology slide photos to enrich the scientific value of the manuscript</b></li> <li><b>Is there any skin attachment of the lump?</b> Clinical examination revealed a small round mass over the upper 1/3 of the sternum on the horizontal medio-mamelon line, measuring 4 cm* 2 cm, with no inflammatory signs opposite, renitent consistency, mobile and painful</li> </ol> <p><b>Sternal attached lump is not mobile usually. Please clarify</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Did the authors consider MRI before proceeding with surgery because similar presentation can occur with sarcomas in the region. Please mention the reasons for not performing a core needle biopsy before the surgery.</b></li> </ol> <p><b>Yes</b></p> <p><b>Suggest adding following references.</b></p> <p>Kutty S, Bennett D, Devitt A, Dowling FE. Tuberculous osteomyelitis of the sternum in an infant: a case report and review of the literature. Focus on Tuberculosis Research. 2005:181.</p> <p>Basnayake O, Mathangasinghe Y, Nihaj A, Pitagampalage R, Jayarajah U, Gunawardena K, Mendis H. Tuberculosis presenting as arthritis of the ankle: A case report. SAGE Open Medical Case Reports. 2021 Jul;9:2050313X211035574.</p>	
<p><b>Minor</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. <b>Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</b></p>	<p>Need minor corrections. Suggest getting opinion for the final version from a expert in English language</p>	
<p><b>Optional/General</b> comments</p>	<p>Manuscript can be accepted with above suggested revisions.</p>	

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<p><b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b></p>	<p><i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i></p>	

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