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| Journal Name: | Asian Journal of Research in Infectious Diseases |
| Manuscript Number: | Ms_AJRID_111559 |
| Title of the Manuscript: | Sternal Tuberculosis: Two Cases and Review of the Literature |
| Type of the Article | Case study |

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) |
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| <p>Compulsory REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript) 2. Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title) 3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? 4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate? 5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct? 6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form. <p><u>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</u></p> | <p>1- Although a rare form of disease, there are publications in the form of case presentations and literature reviews. The diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis or sternal tuberculosis have been well-known for a long time. While the disease is more commonly observed in immunosuppressed patients or after sternal interventions, the fact that it can also occur in immunocompetent individuals is an important detail.</p> <p>2- It has been referred to as a literature review, but the discussion section lacks sufficient information.</p> <p>3- It's a well-written summary.</p> <p>4- The structure of the manuscript is appropriate.</p> <p>5- The manuscript is scientifically correct.</p> <p>6- Most references are from 15-20 years ago. More recent publications could be cited. A study published in J Ayub Med Coll Abbottabad in Jul-Sep 2021, involving 32 patients, is mentioned. It is considered a valuable addition to the references due to its inclusion of surgical and other interventions, aside from antibiotic therapy, making it one of the studies with the highest number of cases in recent times.</p> <p>Although labeled as a literature review, the discussion section fails to address the presentation of similar patients in the current literature, different treatment modalities, or various outcomes. There are recent and comprehensive publications on this topic. By discussing different treatment modalities, complications, and challenges encountered in diagnosis and treatment mentioned in other studies, the manuscript could transform from a simple case presentation into a guiding publication for physicians dealing with this disease or considering sternal tuberculosis in the differential diagnosis.</p> | |
| <p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | <p>In the case presentation, gender prefixes are not written appropriately.</p> | |
| <p>Optional/General comments</p> | | |

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PART 2:

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

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