

REVIEWER'S REPORT

Manuscript No.: IJAR-55927

Title: MULTIPLE SPLENIC ABSCESSSES, A RARE COMPLICATION OF ENTERIC FEVER: CASE REPORT AND LITERATURE REVIEW

Recommendation:

- Accept as it is
 ✓ Accept after minor revision.....
 Accept after major revision
 Do not accept (*Reasons below*)

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		✓		
Techn. Quality		✓		
Clarity		✓		
Significance	✓			

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Date: 27.01.26

Detailed Reviewer's Report

Strengths of the Study

- **Originality:** The paper highlights a rare complication of enteric fever, namely multiple splenic abscesses caused by *Salmonella typhi*, adding valuable clinical insights to the existing literature.
- **Clinical Relevance:** Provides a detailed account of diagnosis, management, and successful treatment strategies, which are useful for clinicians managing similar cases.
- **Methodology:** Utilizes appropriate diagnostic modalities including ultrasound, contrast-enhanced CT scans, and microbiological culture, demonstrating a comprehensive diagnostic approach.
- **Data Quality:** The case report presents detailed clinical, radiological, microbiological, and treatment data, which enhances reproducibility and educational value.
- **Literature Integration:** The discussion contextualizes the case within the broader spectrum of splenic abscess etiology and management, referencing relevant literature.

Weaknesses of the Study

- **Limited Sample Size:** As a single case report, it inherently lacks generalizability.
- **Follow-up Details:** The follow-up period is mentioned (8 months), but long-term outcomes and possible recurrence assessments are limited.
- **Methodological Details:** The criteria for choosing specific management strategies and the decision-making process are not elaborated in depth.
- **Statistical Analysis:** Not applicable in a case report; however, some data interpretation could be expanded.
- **Ethical Clearance & Consent:** The manuscript does not specify whether ethical approval was obtained or if informed consent was secured from the patient's guardians.
- **Language & Presentation:** Minor grammatical issues and some typographical errors are present, affecting clarity (e.g., inconsistent spacing, typographic errors in the abstract).
- **Figures & Tables:** Descriptions of figures are minimal; including high-quality images with detailed legends would improve clarity.

Reviewer Comments

- **Title and Abstract:** The title accurately reflects the content. The abstract concisely summarizes the case; however, it could benefit from clearer structuring, highlighting the novelty and key management points more explicitly.

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- **Introduction & Objectives:** The introduction provides sufficient background on splenic abscesses but could better emphasize the rarity of Salmonella-induced multiple abscesses. Clear objectives or hypotheses are not explicitly stated but are implied.
- **Methodology & Analysis:** As a case report, methodologies are standard. Improved clarity around diagnostic criteria and management decision processes would strengthen reproducibility.
- **Results & Discussion:** The case presentation is detailed, but discussing alternative management options or why specific choices (e.g., antibiotics, aspiration) were made would be beneficial. The discussion adequately references relevant literature but could more critically analyze the success factors of conservative management.
- **Conclusions & Implications:** The conclusions are appropriate and supported by data, emphasizing conservative management in selected cases.
- **Ethical Clearance & Consent:** The manuscript should explicitly state whether informed consent was obtained and if ethical approval was secured from an institutional review board.
- **Language & Formatting:** Minor grammatical errors and typographical issues exist. A language edit and formatting refinement are recommended.
- **Figures & References:** Figures are referenced but not sufficiently described; improve image quality and legends. The references are appropriate but should follow the journal's formatting guidelines uniformly.

Additional Note: A preliminary check indicates that this case report is not publicly available on other internet sources, but a comprehensive plagiarism check via the journal's standard procedures is recommended prior to publication.