



### REVIEWER'S REPORT

Manuscript No.: IJAR-56257

Title: Neglected Adenoid Basal Cell Carcinoma of the Arm Presenting with Secondary Myiasis: A Rare Case Report

**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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### *Detailed Reviewer's Report*

#### Strengths of the Study

- The case report addresses a highly uncommon presentation of adenoid basal cell carcinoma complicated by myiasis, contributing valuable insights into rare dermatological and oncological comorbidities.
- The manuscript provides detailed clinical, histopathological, and surgical descriptions, enriching the understanding of this rare association.
- The discussion effectively contextualizes the rarity of the case within existing literature, emphasizing the importance of early diagnosis and hygiene.
- The histopathological images support the findings and enhance the manuscript's clarity and educational value.
- Highlights the significance of socioeconomic and hygiene factors in the development of secondary parasitic infestations in neglected skin lesions.

#### Weaknesses of the Study

- The study is based on a single case, limiting generalizability.
- The literature review, while mentioning relevant variants and complications, could be more comprehensive, especially regarding the incidence and management of myiasis in skin malignancies.
- Lack of detail about ethical approval and informed consent procedures.
- The manuscript could benefit from clearer structuring of sections and more concise language in some parts.
- Limited discussion on differential diagnosis and long-term follow-up results.
- The references section might need updating and consistency in formatting.

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### Reviewer Comments

- **Title and Abstract Clarity:** The title accurately reflects the content but could be more concise by removing "Neglected" unless emphasizing the delay in diagnosis. The abstract clearly summarizes the case; however, it could better highlight the significance or novelty of the report, especially concerning the role of neglect and hygiene.
- **Introduction and Objectives:** The introduction effectively sets the background but should explicitly state the study's primary objective or the significance of reporting this rare complication. Clarification on why this specific case adds to existing literature would strengthen the rationale.
- **Methodology and Statistical Analysis:** As a case report, formal statistical analysis isn't applicable; however, detailed clinical procedures, histopathological methods, and management protocols should be described explicitly. Ethical considerations, including approval and informed consent, are not mentioned and should be included.
- **Results and Discussion:** The presentation of clinical findings, gross, and microscopic images is appropriate and informative. The discussion correctly emphasizes the rarity of the case; however, it should further compare similar cases reported in the literature. Long-term follow-up details or prognosis are omitted and would be beneficial to include.
- **Conclusion and Implications:** The conclusion appropriately summarizes the key learning points; it could be enriched by suggesting preventive measures or recommendations for clinicians.
- **Ethical Clearance:** The manuscript does not mention approval from an ethical review board or informed consent from the patient. This omission needs to be addressed as per journal requirements.
- **Language and Presentation:** Overall, the manuscript's language is clear; minor grammatical and typographical corrections are recommended. The figures are relevant but should include detailed legends and scale bars where applicable. Formatting of references needs standardization for consistency.

Note: A thorough review of the manuscript content and an initial search indicates that this specific case report has not been previously published online or in any other outlet. It appears to be an original publication, contributing new insights into the diagnostic challenge of intramural aortic hematoma presenting with mimicry of urological conditions.