



REVIEWER'S REPORT

Manuscript No.: IJAR-56257

Title: NEGLECTED ADENOID BASAL CELL CARCINOMA PRESENTING WITH MYIASIS: CASE REPORT AND REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Recommendation:

Accept after minor revision.....

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

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Detailed Reviewer's Report

This manuscript reports a rare and clinically interesting case of adenoid basal cell carcinoma of the arm complicated by secondary wound myiasis. The topic is relevant, particularly from a dermatopathology and public health perspective, and the case highlights the consequences of neglect and poor local hygiene in chronic skin lesions. The clinical, gross, and histopathological findings are generally well described, and the photomicrographs support the diagnosis.

However, the manuscript requires minor to moderate revision to improve clarity, structure, and scientific presentation. The report would benefit from tighter language, clearer emphasis on novelty, and a more focused discussion that better integrates existing literature.

Major Comments

1. While the association of myiasis with basal cell carcinoma is rare, this point should be more clearly emphasized early in the abstract and discussion.
2. The authors should briefly clarify how this case adds to existing reports (e.g., rarity of adenoid variant involvement, anatomical site, or histopathological findings with embedded larvae).
3. The clinical history is adequate, but additional details such as duration of neglect, comorbidities (e.g., diabetes, immunosuppression), and socioeconomic background would strengthen the case context.

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4. Margin status and follow-up duration after surgery should be stated more clearly.
5. The histopathological description is appropriate, but could be more concise.
6. Improve figure quality and labeling – **add arrows to histopathology images** and ensure scale bars or measurements are included
7. The discussion is informative but somewhat repetitive. Greater emphasis should be placed on:
 - a. Pathophysiology of myiasis in malignant wounds
 - b. Preventive aspects (early diagnosis, hygiene, patient education)
8. The treatment section can be shortened, focusing on principles rather than listing modalities.

Minor Comments

- Language editing is required to correct grammatical errors, spacing issues, and inconsistent capitalization.
- Standardize terminology and formatting (BCC vs basal cell carcinoma, larvae vs larval forms, etc.)
- Some sentences are long and can be simplified for clarity.
- Figure legends should be standardized and made more descriptive.
- References are relevant but should be checked for uniform formatting.