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The manuscript is original. It helps better understanding of brucella infection complications. The findings are unique and used methodology is appropriate. The case is unique and rare, it could serve as a good example to detect undiagnosed cases of brucellosis. It is a case study which describe only one case. It will be worthy to look for other atypical cases.
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The current manuscript is a case report of a patient with pancytopenia and sensorineural hearing loss due to brucellosis. The manuscript is well-written, but there are some questions:

- The keywords should contain “case report”
- The Introduction should be more extended. Please provide more background information, state the purpose of the case report and its novelty
- Please add more details to the “history of present illness”: what were the features of dizziness? Does she experience true vertigo? What about hearing loss? Was it progressive? Did she suffer from tinnitus? What about headache?
- Please explain the other results of the physical examination for neurobrucellosis signs, such as confusion, meningeal irritation signs papilledema, ....
- Did you perform otoscopy? What was the result?
- Did you perform lumbar puncture?
- The Discussion: what do you mean by “double degree hearing loss”?
- What were the limitations of your study?
- In reference 19, it is not necessary to list the names of all the authors
- There are a few spelling and grammatical errors, such as “Acknowledgements”