

## Review of: "Prednisolone Induced Gingival Enlargement: A Rare Case Report"

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In the case report section

- 1. The authors mentioned "hyper parakeratotic epithelium with long rete pegs"; a figure representing the hyper parakeratotic epithelium with the underlying lamina propria will enrich the report and represent the findings.
- 2. The quality of the H and E figure is very low; a better figure is needed. Also, the red arrow needs to point to the capillary.
- 3. The term stroma is not commonly used with the gingiva; the CT of the gingiva is called lamina propria.

In the discussion section

- 1. Using a laser for gingivectomy is not the main target of the case report. This report highlighted that cyclosporin caused gingival overgrowth, so related findings in the literature need to be mentioned.
- 2. Moreover, the effect of cyclosporin on the epithelium and the elongation of rete pegs, and the effect on fibroblasts and collagen fibers formation, if reported in other literature, need to be mentioned either in the gingiva or any other tissue.
- 3. Please clarify what makes the authors sure that gingival overgrowth is drug-induced and why it is not caused by bad oral hygiene.
- 4. Please clarify whether the patient stopped the cyclosporin since he started the gingival treatment or not.
- -If not, why did the overgrowth subside? Is this only due to the oral hygiene measures and the gingivectomy?
- 5- Many statements in the discussion section lack references.