Reviewer's report

Title: Neonatal respiratory distress syndrome revealing a cervical bronchogenic cyst: a case report

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The case report reflects an interesting if rare clinical finding and possible cause of severe acute neonatal respiratory depression in the delivery room. The images are the most striking portion of the case report and likely warrant publication themselves. An underemphasized element of the report is the usefulness of prenatal diagnosis in identifying location and level of nursery to deliver infant's with upper airway obstruction. I appreciated the brevity of the overall case report as its primary intent was to describe this rare finding and not review the causes of congenital upper airway obstruction. On close reading I found no significant criticisms that would require a revision of the document.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'