



### REVIEWER'S REPORT

Manuscript No.: IJAR-57845

**Title:** Congenital Lobar Emphysema Mimicking Pneumothorax in a 6-Month-Old Infant With Acute Respiratory Distress: A Case Report.

**Recommendation:**

Accept after minor revision.....

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

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### *Detailed Reviewer's Report*

This is a well-written and clinically relevant case report describing a rare presentation of congenital lobar emphysema (CLE) masquerading as pneumothorax in a 6-month-old infant. The case highlights an important diagnostic challenge in pediatric respiratory emergencies and emphasizes the value of CT imaging in avoiding inappropriate chest tube insertion.

The manuscript is generally clear, logically organized, and supported by appropriate literature. The clinical course, imaging findings, management, and outcome are adequately described. The discussion effectively explains the differential diagnosis and clinical implications.

A few minor improvements are suggested:

- Include actual CT and chest radiograph images if available, as they would significantly enhance the educational value of the report.
- Provide slightly more detail regarding the postoperative follow-up period beyond one month.
- Clarify whether bronchoscopy was considered or performed to exclude intrinsic bronchial abnormalities.
- Minor language editing may improve readability in some sections.

Overall, the manuscript provides a valuable learning message for clinicians dealing with pediatric respiratory distress and contributes useful information to the existing literature on CLE.