

Review of: "Mycetoma in Animals a Review of Cases Reported From 1925-2022; Epidemiology and Management Strategies"

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The authors deserve praise for undertaking a comprehensive and informative review on a complex and important topic. The review is well-structured, clearly written, and provides a valuable overview of mycetoma in animals. The team should also be commended for including up-to-date information on the subject, demonstrating their commitment to providing readers with the most accurate and relevant details.

The review covers a wide range of information on mycetoma in animals, encompassing its history, etiology, transmission, diagnosis, and treatment. The article is well-organized and easy to follow, with clearly defined sections and subheadings that facilitate navigation. The review provides a detailed picture of canine mycetoma, including the most common causative agents, clinical presentation, and treatment options. The review also incorporates references to recent publications on mycetoma in animals, showcasing the authors' updated knowledge on the topic.

However, the review only mentions one case of feline mycetoma and could benefit from including more information on this topic, considering its relevance to the veterinary community. Additionally, certain information, such as the definition of mycetoma and the various causative agents, is repeated throughout the article. A closer revision could eliminate these redundancies, resulting in a more concise and direct text. The review primarily focuses on summarizing existing information and could be enriched by incorporating more critical analysis and discussion of the current understanding of mycetoma in animals. This would add value to the work, offering readers a deeper insight into the subject.

The abstract could be improved by providing a more concise summary of the article's key findings. The introduction could be strengthened by offering a clearer justification for the importance of studying mycetoma in animals. The conclusion could be expanded to discuss future directions for research on mycetoma in animals, paving the way for further investigations and advancements in the field.

In conclusion, this is a well-written and informative review that offers a good overview of mycetoma in animals, particularly canine mycetoma. However, the review could be enhanced by including more information on feline mycetoma and by providing a more critical analysis of the current knowledge on the topic. The suggestions above aim to contribute to improving the quality of the work and increase its relevance for the scientific and veterinary community.

We thank the authors for providing us with the opportunity to review their work. We believe that this review will contribute

to refining the quality of the article and making it even more valuable for the scientific community.