Reviewer’s report

Title: Spontaneous cardiac tamponade related to a coronary injury by a pericardial calcification: an unusual complication

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General Comment
The paper is educative and presents a rare case of the cardiac tamponade related to coronary injury by a pericardial calcification, however, in order to be published, several changes should be made.

In preparing the Revision, it is important to change the title:
Comment #1: ‘spontaneous’ could be eliminated (Page 1, line 1:)
Comment #2: ‘Calification’ should be changed into ‘calcification’

The Abstract should be shorter
Page 2, Paragraph 1, Line 4: The sentence ‘… a rupture of an acute myocardial infarction’ should be changed into ‘rupture of the free ventricular wall due to acute myocardial infarction’.

Background
Page 4, Paragraph 1, Line 3 and 4: The sentence ‘Although etiologies are numerous…’ should be changed by the following statement: ‘The etiology of cardiac tamponade reflects various conditions that cause pericardial effusions, trauma or the rupture of the heart.’

Case presentation
Page 4, Paragraph 1, Line one. Comment #1: ‘A 83 year-old’ should be changed into ‘A 83-year-old’
‘Usual treatment included Beta-blockers…’ should be changed into ‘He was treated by’

Instead of unspecified ‘Beta blockers diuretics’, the specific generic name of the drug should be written.
Page 5, Paragraph 1, line 2 : The sentence cannot begin with ‘500 ml…’ and it should be as follows:’ There were withdrawn 500 ml of blood, which resulted in…'
Page 6, Paragraph 2, Line 6: ‘a lethal cardiovascular wall rupture’ should be changed into ‘lethal cardiac or vascular wall rupture…’

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being
published

**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'