Reviewer's report

Title: Acute Retroperitoneal Bleeding due to Inferior Mesenteric Artery Aneurysm

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The authors describe a case of IMA aneurysm associated with occlusion of SMA and celiac trunk. The unusual presentation (rupture) could be the strenght of their paper. However the organization of the manuscript presents several weaknesses. In background session there are only two rows for presenting the case report.

On the contrary, in the description of the case there are citations and a brief discussion that should have been in the background session, on the basis of the rules of the Journal.

The surgical technique described do not add anithing to our knowledge in this field.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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