Reviewer's report

**Title:** Giant pedunculated hepatocellular carcinoma with hemangioma mimicking intestinal obstruction: A rare case

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Comments to the Authors:

**GENERAL COMMENT**

This case report is about a pedunculated hepatocellular carcinoma, which is relatively rare type of HCC. Previously, we experienced a case of pedunculated hepatocellular carcinoma (p-HCC) (unpublished case). Base of the experience, we sate below.

**Major Compulsory Revisions**

1. Some case reports showed that, compared with conventional HCC, p-HCC is arises from normal liver. Our experienced case was also normal liver. However, in this case, this patient had a history idiopathic hemochromatosis. Thus you should describe that a causal association between P-HCC and idiopathic hemochromatosis in discussion section.

2. Many studies showed that findings on unenhanced T2-weighted MR image play a key role in differentiation of hemangioma and other hepatic tumors. Considering T2-weighted MR image in this case, the tumor have a low potential for hemangioma. You should consider the imaging findings further in discussion section.

**Discretionary Revisions**

In this case, unfortunately, dynamic study was not performed due to a several allergic reaction to radio-opaque medium. We think that contrast-enhanced ultrasound may be useful in the diagnosis of HCC.

**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.