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Dear Professor Krishna

Thank you for the opportunity to meet your editorial requirements:

Your requirement
It should be beats/minute (not beads/min) for heart rate.

Answer
p3, line 61-2
...had a tachycardia of 130 beats/minute...

Your suggestion
Also, I would suggest presenting the clinical findings (Kussmauls etc) before the results for any investigations (such as ECHO and CT) and not after, as is conventional.

Answer
The following clinical findings were moved from p4, line 77-79 to p3 line 62-64 and shortened:

Although the patient showed jugular venous distention, but despite the large volume of pericardial fluid, neither Kussmaul’s sign nor hepatomegaly or peripheral oedema were observed.

Sincerely yours

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