Reviewer's report

Title: Emphysematous cystitis following a transrectal needle guided biopsy of the prostate

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The article reported a case of emphysematous cystitis, rare but fatal if delayed in diagnosis, that must be beared in mind for people working in the related fields, other than urologists.

The content of the article is acceptable for publication. However, there are some minor essential revisions to be made:

1. In the discussion section, the authors stated only 150 cases of EC had ever been reported in the English literature. EC is rare alright, but maybe not so rare (as an urologist, I have seen several cases of EC in my practice). The authros may consider either put it as a rare condition (delete the number) or provide references for that statement.

2. In the conclusion section, the authors mentioned the cause of this EC case might be due to the prostate biopsy or the stress associated with the gastric surgery. The causes of the EC cases might better be dealt with in the discussion section, instead of the conclusion.

3. There are several wrong use of terms and spelling mistakes in the text that needs to be corrected by professional editing.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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.