Reviewer’s report

Title: Benign Ancient Schwannoma of the abdominal wall: An unwanted birthday present.

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In this paper the Authors report a single case of ancient of schwannoma of the abdominal wall. As stated in the reference textbook on this topic “Enzinger and Weiss’s Soft Tissue Tumors” by S. Weiss and J. Goldblum, Elsevier, 2007 page 862, these tumors are mainly located in deep structures such as the retroperitoneum and abdomen. The unicity of this case is, therefore, at least, disputable.

Minor points:

1) figure 6 showing immunohistochemistry for S-100 should be replaced by another one of better quality

2) Discussion appears to be rather redundant

Level of interest: An article of insufficient interest to warrant publication in a scientific/medical journal

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.