Reviewer's report

Title: Renal cell carcinoma presenting with intramyocardial metastases

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General comments:
It is astounding how much this patient had done to him. This is not standard treatment in the United States. Metastatectomy isn't done for all of those lesions as you presented. But interested, nonetheless.

Major compulsory revisions:
1. The title is misleading. The use of "presenting with" makes it sound like the patient presented with cardiac mets as his initial symptom. It should read as "Renal cell carcinoma with intramyocardial metastases."

Minor Essential Revisions:
1. You mention Table 2 in your text prior to mentioning Table 1 (page 5, lines 77-79).
2. You don't first spell out ccRCC in the abstract before using that abbreviation. It is done in the text, but the abstract is a stand-alone entity and must be treated as such. No abbreviations should be used unless spelled out first in the abstract.
3. The last two sentences on page 5 (lines 83-86) are inappropriately placed. You should not make recommendations in the "Background" section. This should be in the discussion.

Discretionary Revisions
1. The first paragraph on page 5 (lines 68-75) are not very applicable in their context. Maybe in the discussion they would be, but remember, your paper isn't about IVC thombus.
2. Page 6, lines 91 and 95, you use centimeters to measure size and then millimeters. May want to just choose one for consistency.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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