Reviewer’s report

Title: Cystic renal cell carcinoma: a report of 67 cases including 4 cases of concurrent renal cell carcinomas

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Chen et al has reported on their experience with cystic renal cell carcinoma. This manuscript highlights two important points with the management of these lesions. Firstly, the overwhelming low grade features and secondly, that they can be managed with partial nephrectomy.

The authors may comment on the role of enucleation for such lesions as cystic lesions can be enucleated from the normal renal parenchyma. In addition, the authors can comment on the sequelae of intraoperative cyst rupture during resection and whether this had any clinical impact on the patient's outcome. One important feature of cystic renal masses that should be included in the discussion include hereditary leiomyomatosis and renal cell carcinoma manifesting as cystic renal lesions.

There were some minor grammar mistakes that should be corrected prior to publication.

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'