Reviewer’s report

Title: Usefulness of NT-pro BNP monitoring to identify echocardiographic responders following cardiac resynchronization therapy: a randomized prospective study

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This is an interesting study addressing an important clinical issue.

There are only minor issues that authors should address:

The routine use of NT-proBNP has been recently questioned. Please discuss.

Contractile reserve may be an important parameter to assess. Please address.

TDI and derivatives parameters do not seem to work in this set of patients. Please discuss.

Upload clips of sample cases.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'