Reviewer's report

Title: How to misuse echo contrast

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This an interesting case report describing a misleading diagnosis of LA tumor both by TTE and after contrast enhancement clarified only when TEE was performed showing the normality of the LA and the presence of a large hiatus hernia. The final message is that when you do not see in echocardiography it is hard to perform a reliable diagnosis. The case is an exemplary one on how the additive value of contrast may be low. There are a few issues that authors may address:

1. the discussion should be shortened and more focused on the use of contrast for intracardia masses and its diagnostic accuracy in this set of patients.
2. The safety issue of contrast should be addressed
3. More images (clips) should be uploaded (there in no space limits)

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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'I declare that I have no competing interests'