Reviewer's report

Title: Mitral valve surgery for mitral regurgitation caused by Libman-Sacks endocarditis: a report of four cases and a systematic review of the literature

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This is a well written and comprehensive review of an relevant topic. For a better impact of this manuscript I believe the following suggestions are helpful:

1. major compulsory revisions: none

2. minor essential revisions: shorten the case reports and discuss the literature search in the text, the table on the literature overview needs explanation. reduce the length of the discussion. Please add a note of caution about repair: the patient needs to be made clear that recurrence of the mitral valve problem is very well possible!

3. discretionary revisions: none

Otherwise a very well written manuscript, worth publication!

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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