Reviewer's report

Title: Repeated mitral valve replacement in a patient with extensive annular calcification

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This case report describes very interesting case, which required three mitral valve replacements in a short period of time. This unusual course was related to extensive mitral annular calcification, well shown in the figure. The technique used at the final operation is not necessarily novel, but given the comprehensive information/images of the case as well as well-written manuscript deserves publication in this journal. There is a potential of immediate benefit to the readers, who need to face with similar situation.

Again, manuscript is well-written, the pictures are informative, informed consent was obtained.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

None