Reviewer's report

Title: Symptomatic intrathoracic splenosis presenting as persistent chest pain

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This article discusses a case of intrathoracic splenosis, which was diagnosed using Tc-99m labeled colloid scintigraphy. This paper is relatively organized and easy to understand, though there are some correcting points.

Major Compulsory Revisions
1. The paragraph is too long throughout the entire manuscript, especially Case presentation and Discussion. Please split appropriately.
2. Figures: It would be better to add the Tc-99m sulfur colloid scintigram, if any, and SPECT.

Minor Essential Revisions
Case presentation:
1. P4 line3 ‘Tc-99m sulfur colloid scanning’
The authors should write ‘scintigraphy’, not scanning.
2. P4 last sentence
Please describe the size of intrathoracic splenic tissue not only in the figure legends but also in manuscript.
3. The sentence ‘To our knowledge…’ should be moved to discussion.

Discussion:
4. Please mention the size of ectopic splenic tissue of previous reports.
5. Please arrange about need for surgical removal.
6. The authors need to describe the conclusion specifically.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.