Reviewer’s report

Title: A rare case of primary cardiac B cell lymphoma

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Major compulsory revisions:
1. "Malignant primary cardiac tumors have a dismal prognosis: without surgical resection, the survival rate at 9 to 12 months is only 10%. (ref 4)" This sentence seems to suggest that surgical debulking is the mainstay of therapy for PCL. While debulking may be necessary for cardiac stabilization, the treatment modality most likely to impact on the natural history of this disease is R-CHOP chemotherapy and the sentence should be adjusted to give a clearer overview of this. Suggest reading and referencing Miguel et al, J Intl Cardiology, 2011 (Article title "Primary cardiac lymphoma.") to illustrate this rather than the current reference 4.

2. At the end of the case report section it is unclear what is meant by "However, despite the high malignant nature of the lymphoma the regimen was initiated slightly delayed due to..." please clarify what is meant by slightly delayed.

Minor revisions:
1. Typos in "highly suspicious for malign neoplasm" and "again raising concern of malign transformation."

2. In abstract "rituximab, cyclophosphamide, doxorubicin, vincristine and prednisone chemotherapy (R-COMP)." Use "R-CHOP" not R-COMP

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