Reviewer’s report

Title: Late pulmonary metastases of renal cell carcinoma immediately after post-transplantation immunosuppressive treatment: a case report.

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Reviewer: Kerry Tomlinson

I am familiar with the literature and believe that this case meets one of the 7 criteria for evaluation in the journal: Findings that shed new light on the possible pathogenesis of a disease or an adverse effect

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: No

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: No

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: No

Comments to authors:

The article is now much better written and the science is explained more clearly.

It provides interest from a basic science point of view. Clinically it will not change practise as the risk of tumor recurrence is already known.

What is also of interest is the magnitude of the increased risk and as the authors state they have now looked for data on this and not found reports- I suspect this info will eventually come out of Cancer registaries.

I would accept the current manuscript except that I think the last sentence in para 1 of the discussion containing the statement that the case demonstrates "increased relative risk of metastatic recurrence" immediately post transplant should be removed. It is impossible for a single case to demonstrate an increase in relative risk.

What next?: Accept after minor revisions

Quality of written English: Acceptable