Reviewer’s report

Title: A Rare coexistence of giant splenic hemangioma with diffuse liver hemangiomatosis in a patient with ovarian endometriosis.

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Reviewer: Markus K. Müller

I am familiar with the literature and believe that this case meets one of the 7 criteria for evaluation in the journal: An unexpected association between diseases or symptoms

Has the case been reported coherently?: No

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

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

Comments to authors:

General

This case report is interesting and gives a good discussion of the problem. But the abstract itself is misleading, very complicated and more confusing than enlightening. I think this part should be rewritten.

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Revisions necessary for publication

I have the following criticisms:

The title is misleading; the authors want to build a correlation between hemangiomas and estrogen administration. It is therefore unnecessary to mention the endometriosis in the title; this was just the cause for the estrogen use. Additionally the term "diffuse liver hemangiomatosis" is unscientific, better use multiple liver hemangiomas.

The abstract is not mirroring the case report itself; shorten it and use the same structure as in the main text, do not refer to the literature. After the introduction
the authors start immediately with a diagnostic dilemma without even saying what case they are talking about.

In the discussion the authors write that this case highlights that splenic hemangiomas continue to increase after discontinuation of oral contraceptives. This is highly speculative and the facts for this conclusion are not presented in this case.

For the figure legend no 2 indicate which artery is intubated with the catheter, in this case it looks like the celiac trunc.

Minor: Define abbreviations when used for the first time in the text. There are several typos, and obviously the patient is a “she” and not a “he”.

**What next?:** Revise and resubmit

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being published