Reviewer’s report

Title: Benign fibromatous paratesticular tumor: a diagnosis based on conventional and diffusion-weighted MR imaging

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Reviewer: George Koshy

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: None

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: No

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

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

Minor revisions necessary for publication:

1. Title: could be better phrased as: “evaluation with” rather than “diagnosis based on”

2. Conclusion of the abstract: The sentence “May represent a powerful diagnostic tool in the preoperative detection and characterization of paratesticular tumors” could be more correctly written as “MR imaging of the scrotum could have a potential role in the evaluation of scrotal masses.”. USG now has a major role in the study of these masses, to determine paratesticular location and to characterise these to a large extent. The final diagnosis is obviously given by histopathology.

3. Introduction first paragraph last line: Same issue as point 2 above, the phrase
“of high performance” could be removed.

4. Case presentation: Second paragraph:
- The word ipsilateral could be removed from the second sentence as it is obvious that we are talking of the left side.
- Better phrasing: “MRI evaluation of the scrotum was done on a”

5. Introduction, eighth line: The word “As” could be removed.

6. There are five figures given (1 to 5) but figure legends give only three figures. With figure parts (a,b,e) mentioned. This is a minor issue that needs to be corrected.

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.