Reviewer's report

Title: Opitz trigonocephaly syndrome died during surgery: a case report

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Reviewer: sherif shehata

Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: An unexpected event in the course of observing or treating a patient

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?: 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?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

You answered most of my former comments.

The mandatory point is that you have to write clearly that your patient died intraoperatively due to excessive bleeding in the last paragraph of your discussion (not to be omitted) as in the revision. Also clearly mention that parents refuse the autopsy, so you can not complete post mortum studies.

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'

Prof Dr Sherif Shehata