Reviewer's report

Title: Asystole Following Positive Pressure Insufflation of Right Pleural Cavity

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Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: Un reported or unusual side effects or adverse interactions involving medications

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?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

This case report should serve well for physicians to have a high index of suspicion of possible side effects following this procedure. However the authors need to read through the manuscript as there are some capitals in the introduction session and through some other parts that should be removed. Please check through the manuscript as some sessions do not read too well.

> The mention of President Obama whilst interesting is not strictly necessary. It would be more useful to expand on the evidence-based behind the procedure instead such as number of patients in the trials and some details into the results (pain scores, p values etc)
Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Declaration of competing interests:
'I declare that I have no competing interests'