Reviewer's report

Title: Solid Variant of Aneurysmal Bone Cyst of the Thoracic Spine: Case Report

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Reviewer: Marieke N Snieders

Which of the 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?: 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

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

It is reported that the risk of embolization was deemed to high. Could the authors give a short review of the literature on the complications of embolization. Is the risk really too high?

Why did the patient develop a pleural effusion? Hematoma or are there signs of infection?

It was reported that at follow up, the patients does well. Could the author’s specify, recording pain/neurlogical symptoms and patients satisfaction?

The beginning of the discussion includes a repetition of epidemiologocal information that is already mentioned in the introduction. I would omit repeating these numbers. Keep the discussion for the reviewing of the rpior cases.
Quality of written English: Acceptable

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