Reviewer’s report

Title: Rapidly Growing Left Atrial Myxoma: a case report

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Which of the following following best describes what type of case report this is?: New associations or variations in disease processes

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:

Dr Vazir and colleagues have described a rapidly growing left atrial myxoma which is an important contribution to current clinical practice particularly in terms of how often we need to monitor patients after excision.

The manuscript is well written. The original echo is of poorer quality than the subsequent echo with a lot of acoustic shadow around the atrial septum so it is possible a small myxoma was already there but I dont think this changes the clinical message.

Otherwise i have no criticisms of this interesting case

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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