Reviewer’s report

Title: Ganglioneuroma; A rare cause of adrenal incidentaloma: a case report

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Reviewer: Nickolaos Michalopoulos

Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: Unexpected or unusual presentations of a disease

Has the case been reported coherently?: No

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?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: No

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:

This is an interesting case report of adrenal gland ganglioneuroma. The authors should exhaustively revise their manuscript in order to be published.

1. Major grammar and editing revisions should be made. I suggest the manuscript to be revised by someone that English is his native language. Many words that are used are unsound.

2. Abbreviations should be spell out in their first appearance in the manuscript. Do not use abbreviations in the abstract.

3. The authors should briefly report others adrenal lesions that are preoperatively diagnosed as incidentalomas.

4. The authors perform a PET scan to evaluate the potency of malignancy of the tumor. According to the CT scan images that are provided the tumor dislocate
the surrounding tissues without infiltrate them. The authors must justify their decision to perform a PET scan. Is PET scan an integral imaging tool in pre-operative evaluation of adrenal tumors?

5. Have laparoscopic or endoscopic procedures a role in the management of these tumors? Why they did not performed a minimally invasive procedure?

6. Is ganglioneuromas purely benign tumors? The authors should clarify the potency of malignancy of these tumors and add the corresponding literature

7. What are the main risk factors for recurrence and malignancy of ganglioneuromas?

8. The authors should discuss the management of recurrence disease.

9. The authors should briefly discuss the differences between adrenal ganglioneuromas, paragangliomas and pheochromocytomas.

10. Are any differences in the management of ganglioneuromas according to their location (adrenal, retroperitoneal)? (Corresponding literature: Papavramidis et al. Retroperitoneal Ganglioneuroma in an Adult Patient: A Case Report and Literature Review of the Last Decade. Southern Medical Journal 2009.)


12. The images legends should be display in the end of the manuscript and not in the manuscript.

**Quality of written English:** Not suitable for publication unless extensively edited

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests