Reviewer’s report

Title: Forme fruste of isolated right ventricular endomyocardial fibrosis: a case report

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Reviewer: Laszlo Kiraly

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?: 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?: 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:

1. I recommend to add pictures of the cardiac magnetic resonance imaging that depict the RV apical mass in relation to the myocardium

2. The authors are recommended to explain how general comments “Cardiac MRI allows further characterization of ventricular hypertrophy, subendocardial fibrosis, apical obliteration, and mural thrombosis” and “Histopathology consistently describes a thickened endocardium with elastic fibers and dense collagen, non-specific inflammatory cells, and a layer of arterioles, small veins and capillaries” relate to the findings in this case. These specificities are now missing from ‘Case presentation’ section.

3. Figure 1 is an intraoperative photograph that is taken from an unusual angle,
i.e. from the viewpoint of the assistant. The figure shows the opened RV whereas legend talks about the tricuspid valve that is not pictured. Change of legend and addition of orientating markers are recommended.

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.