Reviewer’s report

Title: Endomyocardial biopsy guided by intracardiac echocardiography as a key step in intracardiac mass diagnosis. A case report series.

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The manuscript submitted to our attention by Zanobini and colleagues provides a series of 3 case reports in which intracardiac echocardiography (ICE) was employed as a mean to help endomyocardial biopsy harvesting.

Such imaging technique provides an additional tool in order to tailor the most suitable diagnostic workup for each patient. As mentioned in the manuscript, this kind of approach would reserve surgical procedures to the patients in need whose diagnosis has not been reached despite proper assessment.

Being a case report, we acknowledge the little although understandable number of cases reported. Nevertheless the variety of cases described herein offers a glance of how ICE can affect the decision making process in the occurrence of intracardiac mass detection.

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