Reviewer’s report

Title: Thin-section computed tomography-determined usual interstitial pneumonia pattern affects the decision-making process for resection in newly diagnosed lung cancer patients: a retrospective study

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Dear author,

It was a pleasure reading this manuscript entitled thin section tomography determined UIP...

IT is interesting to learn more on decision making in this specific setting.

However I have 1 major comment: it is extremely difficult to assess presence of honeycombing, even by very experienced radiologists. How did you tackle this in this project? Should it not have been better to perform a full work-up and an MDD discussion to assess pulmonary fibrosis?

do we need more guidance in these decisions coming from international guidelines?

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