Reviewer’s report

Title: Full B-type natriuretic peptide trumps other prognostic markers in patients assessed for coronary disease

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This is an observational study using novel risk markers for prognosis of patients undergoing coronary angiography. The paper is well-written and generally scientifically sound. There is one revision I would request the authors to consider:

p 13 line 58 - "Timely identification of high-risk patients…would allow directed pharmacological and interventional management to improve prognosis". This statement should be qualified - there is no support from the present data that anything can be done to improve prognosis. Indeed, the authors argue that BNP remains predictive of adverse events even after major interventions have been performed (primary and secondary prevention). Please consider re-wording or highlighting that this is a speculation and that the data presented would support such a speculation ONLY for patients who are being referred for coronary angiography.

Similarly, the final sentences in the abstract and on p. 15 should be qualified - instead of using the word "could," better words are "may" "might" or adverbs such as "conceptually" or "theroretically.

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