Reviewer's report

Title: A New Protocol for Concomitant Needle Aspiration Biopsy and Localization of Solitary Pulmonary Nodules

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Percutaneous needle aspiration biopsy (PCNA) for peripheral small nodules in the lung and marking them using microcoils are not a new procedure. However, it is interesting to combine two methods.

Major revisions:
1. I think that there is rare and fatal complications-air embolism- in PCNA. What do you think it?
2. The authors mentioned that “We have performed preoperative localization if the nodule meets one or more criteria, which are (1) maximum diameter of the nodule 5 mm, (3) low-density imaging on CT.”

What is “low-density imaging”? Does case 20 meet this criterion? Does the criteria of (1) maximum diameter of the nodule 5 mm need? Only one case (case 19) entered to this study according to this criterion.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.