Reviewer’s report

Title: VENA CAVA ANOMALIES IN THORACIC SURGERY

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The article by Dr Pagini et al reports a case series of three different unidentified vena cava anomalies (persistent left SVC, partial anomalous pulmonary venous connection and azygos continuation) in patients undergoing pulmonary resections.

These congenital anomalies are relatively uncommon and usually asymptomatic. Nevertheless care must be taken in every kind of thoracic procedure to avoid a vascular injury which can lead to fatal consequences.

Therefore I want to congratulate the authors for this well-prepared report with very explanatory images.

Besides I have some queries:

Q1: I am requesting the authors to clarify the indication of the prior sternotomy in the first patient

And I also noticed some minor spelling errors:

Q2: page 2, line 6: I think 'the' to be changed as 'they'.

Q3: page 3, line 38: I kindly suggest to use 'first' instead '1st', and in line 60: 'ago' instead 'before'.

Q4: page 4, line 33: 'erythema nodosum' instead 'nodosum erythema'.

Q5: page 5, line 27: 'although it is' instead 'although is'.

Q6: page 6, line 47: 'esophagectomy' instead 'esofagectomy'.

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