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## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

Name of journal: World Journal of Clinical Cases

Manuscript NO: 68422

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and subphrenic abscess by contrast-enhanced ultrasound: case report

Reviewer's code: 05523995 Position: Peer Reviewer Academic degree: MD

**Professional title:** Surgical Oncologist

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Scientific quality	[ ] Grade A: Excellent [ ] Grade B: Very good [Y] Grade C: Good [ ] Grade D: Fair [ ] Grade E: Do not publish
Language quality	[Y] Grade A: Priority publishing [] Grade B: Minor language polishing [] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[ ] Accept (High priority) [ ] Accept (General priority) [ Y] Minor revision [ ] Major revision [ ] Rejection
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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Well-written manuscript with clear and concise description of a promising tool for the diagnosis and management of the case. Please include additional studies or related literature to support or elaborate the discussion part.



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Comments to the authors 1. In this report, authors have emphasized the use of intracavitary CEUS in the diagnosis of upper gastrointestinal perforation. CEUS has been claimed to be a problem solving tool for this case. However, the figure 1 clearly shows echogenic air bubbles within the fluid collection, suggesting a diagnosis of bowel perforation or fistulous communication between the cavity and bowel. The drain output of 100 -200ml per day further hints at the diagnosis of fistula. The CT scan also confirmed the diagnosis. Therefore, CEUS in this report did not serve as a problem solving tool. I would suggest that the authors should emphasize the importance of intracavitary CEUS as a novel technique in detecting the exact site of fistula in the bowel, which is often difficult by routine CT or endoscopy. Discussion should focus on this point. Appropriate reference should be added accordingly. 2. The use of intravenous CEUS is needless investigation for this case and therefore could be omitted from the report. 3. Figure 5 could be omitted, since the fistula is not evident on this image



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## RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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The revised manuscript has been improved.