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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Your straight forward case report describes a metastatic lesion to the pancreas presenting as a large symptomatic cystic pancreatic mass. Specific Comments 1.) Why wasn't contrast CT done initially on the abdominal CT? 2.) Given that she recently had a metastatic lesion, why wasn't such a metastatic lesion strongly considered at the time of initial evaluation? You don't describe that she had a history of pancreatitis and thus a pseudocyst would be remote. Likewise, she likely did not need interventional radiology puncture for the drainage. One also wonders why the cytologic analysis of the fluid at that time was negative. I assume that interventional radiology was performed perhaps because endoscopic ultrasonography was not available. 3.) Why did she initially undergo a VATS? The readers may want to know what her symptoms were at that time. 4.) Do we have any long-term follow-up? 5.) Given that you do review cystic lesions it may be nice to have a table reporting the causes of pancreatic cystic mass lesions.