

Dear reviewers,

First of all let me thank you for your valuable comments and suggestions. I would like to comment on all your remarks and try to answer your questions.

Reviewer 00258135:

- In the discussion part we tried to explain, what we think is the etiology of the giant left atrium, i.e. mitral valve dysfunction, especially mitral valve stenosis due to rheumatic heart disease. We think that atrial fibrillation and a longstanding arterial hypertension were contributing factors to the enlargement.
- We now provide information about estimated pulmonary pressure and right ventricular function in the case report section.
- We think that the cause for left ventricular dysfunction is a combination of rheumatic heart disease or valvular heart disease respectively as well as hypertensive heart disease. Since this was not the main object of our case report we decided not to stress this topic.

Reviewer 02453249:

- We changed the structure to: Introduction – Case Report – Discussion.
- We updated the cut-off values for LAVI.
- We created one movie out of three movies containing three different echocardiographic views (parasternal, apical four-chamber and subcostal).

Reviewer 01954061:

- We added a section with comments.
- We extended the amount of references.
- We corrected the mentioned linguistic errors.
- The diastolic dysfunction was an example for cardiac conditions that cause left atrial dilatation. It might be present in our patient since she had longstanding arterial hypertension. The diastolic function however was not particularly analyzed in this case.

Reviewer 01593993:

- Three movies were combined into one whole movie with three parts showing three different echocardiographic views (parasternal, apical four-chamber and subcostal).

I hope that I could sufficiently answer your questions and that there are no open topics remaining. Otherwise please feel free to contact me anytime. Thank you again for your time and valuable comments.

Best regards,

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