Reviewer's report

Title: Appendicitis within Morgagni Hernia and Simultaneous Paraesophageal Hernia

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Comment:
Nicely elaborated case report of a rare combination (Morgagni hernia and hiatal hernia). It remembers the reader once more that asymptomatic Morgagni hernia should be treated by surgical repair – otherwise severe complications can occur. I have just some comments below which could improve the understanding and should be looked at.

Minor revisions:
Abstract:
In the background section I would rather write: "The presence of one diaphragmatic defect may decrease the occurrence of a second diaphragmatic defect". One could also assume that elevated intraperitoneal pressure favors the development of a second hernia. I am not sure if one diaphragmatic hernia lowers the risk of a second one.

Methods: I would recommend to write: Review of recent literature and presentation of a patient with Morgagni defect.

First paragraph of case report: It was unclear for me what means cross sectional abdominal Imaging. Is tomography, CT scan or x-ray in two planes meant? Please specify.

Discussion: line 105: I assume there is just a small spelling problem. I would prefer: "there is no role of..."

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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.