ESPS PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
The authors report a case of a fractured retrievable cava filter leading to clinically silent "embolization" of filter fragments, which then accidentally were found embedded in the wall of the right atrium. The patient was free from specific symptoms, therefore treatment was conservative. The authors outline the importance of a close follow-up of patients with retrievable cava filters to avoid such complications. However the retrieval rate in clinical practice was reported to be as low as 34%. The case and the report is of clinical interest. However there are some comments to improve the paper: 1. for the reader it would be very important also to get information on the number and percentages of patients with deep venous thrombosis treated with cava filters. Please provide some statistics including the last 15 years. 2. Also give the number and the kind of complications associated with filter implantation from registries or other sources. 3. Give more information on how successful cava filters prevent pulmonary embolism, + some statistics with respect to complications. 4. How will thrombus formation at the filter will be handled? Furthermore improvement of the English language is recommended.
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Interesting case report by Sivasmbu et al: "An incidental echocardiographic finding: Fractured inferior vena cava filter" is aimed at emphasizing on the importance of removing retrievable IVC filters to avoid complications. Although there are similar reports in the literature it worth to be mentioned again in such a comprehensive approach to details. The authors may need to clarify type(design) of the IVC filter that was used in their patients. References (eg 8 and 9) probably need revision.
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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
The authors describe an interesting and well documented complication of cava filter and give a nice review of literature.