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Reviewer Comments

Please reword the conclusion. I think you should focus on the potential of identifying those patients eligible for further investigation that may need intervention to prevent further deterioration rather than assume the 'urgent need' to intervene in all patients with obstruction (which, as current evidence stands is not proven). What you can state in my opinion, is that in patients that present with chronic venous insufficiency, evident clinical (skin) abnormalities and a suspicion (or clinical history) of a central venous obstruction a further investigation is advised in a dedicated centre. Further investigation being 3D imaging (MRV / CTV) and an evaluation by a multidisciplinary team of clinical, interventional and diagnostic specialists.

Reply: We modified our text as suggested (Page 5, lines 7- page 6, line 10)