Reviewer's report

Title: Approach via a small retroperitoneal anterior subcostal incision in the supine position for gasless laparoendoscopic single-port radical nephrectomy: initial experience of 42 patients

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Minor Essential Revisions:

I would like to ask the authors to clarify better this phrase:
"Present study included patients in whom GasLESSRN could be done in the flank position because the purpose of the present study was to evaluate the feasibility and safety of the technique itself of RASI-GasLESSRN in the supine position."

This is a retrospective study on a new approach for RCC. Anterior gasless retroperitoneal laparoscopy in a supine position is an original and not previously published technique. This makes the article of interest, despite its limitations are well underlined by authors in the discussion.

Thank you

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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