Reviewer’s report

Title: Diagnostic outcome of ureteroscopy in urothelial carcinoma of the upper urinary tract: Incidence of later cancer detection and its risk factors after the first examination.

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This is a retrospective study. There are many bias such as operator’s experiences, image quality, patient’s request etc to affect if the patient receives ureterosopic examination or not. The authors conclude hematuria, positive cytology and gender are risk factors for UC of upper urinary tract. It provide no new information for the risk factors of hematuria and positive cytology. However, the risk factor of gender is not universal. Female gender predominance is noted in other country. (Cancer, 1999, 15;85(6):1342-4) This paper has no impact on the changing of clinical practice.

Level of interest: An article of insufficient interest to warrant publication in a scientific/medical journal

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.