Reviewer’s report

Title: Retroperitoneal laparoscopic partial nephrectomy with segmental renal artery clamping for cancer of the left upper calyx: a case report

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It is an interesting and well described clinical case.

I want to point out some points:

- It is not a simple procedure available to everyone: feasible, as the authors have showed, but a technique also needs to be reproducible

- The CT images would be better if an urographic phase is added

- Would be interesting to have some intraoperative pictures detailing the steps above mentioned

- What is the risk of tumor spillage and seeding with this technique?

Obviously this is just a single case. Would be interesting to know if any other cases have been treated in the same way or if the majority of patients in this same situation has been treated endoscopically. If so, would be nice to know why in this case the authors opted for this approach.

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