Reviewer’s report

Title: Management of large renal stones: laparoscopic pyelolithotomy versus percutaneous nephrolithotomy

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I believe the Authors did a great effort to comply to all the observations made by the reviewers and extensively revised their paper. Despite the limitations previously pointed out the authors clearly stated how "Meta-analysis of observational studies presented particular challenges because of inherent biases that might distort the outcome. However, these studies can be considered as the best available evidence, because no high quality review studies about this topic have been conducted". Given these considerations, the clarification of specific topics and the extensive revision, I think this paper could be published as it adds something to this topic.

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