Reviewer's report

Title: Prognostic significance of the combination of preoperative hemoglobin and albumin levels and lymphocyte and platelet counts (HALP) in patients with renal cell carcinoma after nephrectomy

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Reviewer's report:
The authors studied the prognostic significance of preoperative HALP in patients with RCC after nephrectomy in 1360 patients. They concluded that HALP was independent prognostic factor for CSS.
The study is important and should be considered for publications after few revisions:

1) The authors needs more detailed explanation on how they determined the cutoff value for HALP

2) The authors needs to explain how they selected factors included in multivariate analysis as Table 3 shows many factors but multivariate analysis included only some factors. Of note some other factors showed significance in univariate analyses included in the table but it seems that they were not included in the multivariate analysis.

3) I recommend adding % in table 2

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