Reviewer’s report

Title: Deeper wedge resection and parenchymal-sparing bronchoplasty of the secondary carina: an alternative surgical technique for removal of tumor located at the orifice of upper lobar bronchus

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Authors reported a novel surgical technique of bronchoplasty for bronchial tumors localized at the right 2nd carina.

The surgical procedure shown in this paper is a kind of a combination of bronchial deep wedge resection and sleeve resection. Looking schemas of Figure 2, the shape of reconstructed bronchial tree looks very nice. Therefore, this technique might be an option of bronchoplasty.

However, I think that wide and deep bronchial wedge resection of 2nd carina is more simple and safe procedure, and probably less post-operative complications although the shape of bronchial tree is a little bit deformed.

I want to know the real shape of bronchial tree after surgery. Authors should show the image of the reconstructed bronchus by 3D-CT or virtual bronchoscopy.

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