

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors describe a rare case in which a “falls” sign on POCUS played a pivotal role in the early diagnosis of EPN. The article is well written and the results are clearly presented. Likewise, it is easy to read. Regarding the content, the subject of the work is within the scope of the journal. It is an original contribution that represents a breakthrough in the field of nephrology. The paper can be accepted in its current state.

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How to standardized the reliability of the air related sonograph with POCUS? What are the suggestion for the future research regarding the comet tail artifacts and the "fall" sign so the next authors could replicated the study to testing the hypothesis. For instances, the clinical research to address the value of new medical test.

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An interesting case that added new original findings in the preexisting literature.

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We are glad to review the article “Point-of-care ultrasound for early diagnosis of emphysematous pyelonephritis: A case report and literature review’. The authors experienced a case of EPN, which presented a characteristic ultrasound image named “falls” sign, by the authors. The authors described well about EPN and the mechanism of ultrasound why EPN could show this sign. We have one question. The most center will still diagnose EPN by CT scan. We think this sign is not so specific for EPN. It might be difficult to differentiate EPN from duodenal or colonic perforation, and many other possibilities. How do the authors explain about this?

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