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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Manuscript is okay. Rare entity and not specific clinical findings. Key is pathology. It would be worth detailing the histopathology and defining how this differs from other retroperitoneal neoplastic lesions. May need a pathology co-author, if not already listed. Better in a surgical journal?



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The authors report on a relatively uncommon condition. This report could be transformed into a letter to the editor. My comments are detailed below. 1. the english language needs some polishing by a native speaker 2. figures 2-5 must be combined into a composite one 3. histological pictures, including immuniochemistry, should be given