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Authors' objectives
Radiofrequency ablation (RFA) is a relatively new, minimally-invasive ablation method that destroys tumors by local application of heat. This systematic review evaluates the following indications of RFA for the treatment of benign and malignant tumors of the urogenital tract: renal cell carcinoma, prostate cancer and uterine leiomyoma.

Authors' conclusions
According to GRADE, the quality of evidence is very low due to the uncontrolled study design of the included case series and the inadequate control group of the included RCT (HIFU) of RFA for the treatment of uterine leiomyomas. Overall, the available evidence is insufficient to assess the efficacy and safety of RFA compared to surgical resection for the treatment of urogenital tumors. Currently, the inclusion into the hospital benefit catalogue is not recommended.

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