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OPEN NEPHRO/ URETERO- LITHOTOMY

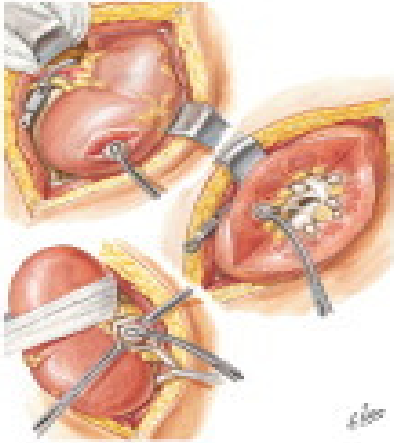
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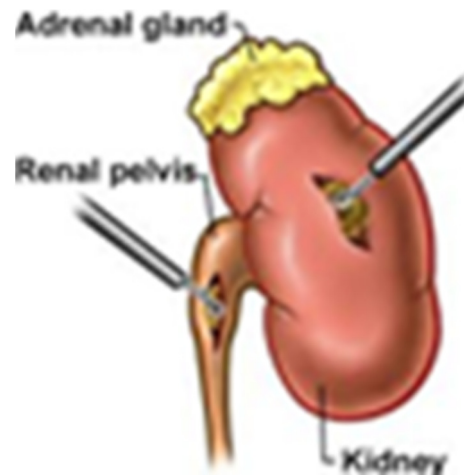
Open surgery for large or complicated renal and ureteric calculi where all other techniques have failed. Seldomly done today.

Why is it done?

- As a last resort to remove a large stone
- Where equipment is not available
- As said : very rarely still used, more a historical procedure
- Same entry as for open nephrectomy

Alternatives

- PCNL
- ESWL
- Sandwich therapy: Combination of PCNL and ESWL
- URSE with laser
- (See these options)



Risks

- Blood loss 20-500cc
- Wound Infection.
- Post-operative hernia formations especially associated in the elderly with atrophic abdominal muscles
- NB! Each person is unique and for this reason symptoms vary!