Reviewer's report

Title: Red cell distribution width is associated with long-term prognosis in patients with stable coronary artery disease

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Major Compulsory Revisions
None.

Minor Essential Revisions
1- In the abstract section the number of patients included in the study should be presented. Correct double %% in line 16.
2- Background should be reviewed and rephrased (it seems there is a sentence missing after the third sentence).
3- In the methods it should be presented how many patients were excluded from analysis from the initial overall population. The final population is 2550 patients.
4- In the discussion section: Some of the findings correlate with other studies. Namely the association of RDW with PAD and CKD among ACS patients. The article from Nabais et al, Rev Port Cardiol 2009; 28 (9): 905-924 should, in my opinion be cited.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests