Reviewer’s report

Title: Genetic polymorphisms located in genes related to immune and inflammatory processes are associated with end-stage renal disease: a preliminary study

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General: The manuscript in the current format generally reads well and the authors have revised the paper substantially from the initial version, acknowledging the limitations of the paper well.

Minor point:
Conclusion, 3rd line: “protection or development of ESRD. These results The genotypes predisposing to ESDR” contains a minor error

Elective point: I noted that study enrolled patient who had renal transplants between Y 1995 – 2008 , but they have been matched with controls at the time of sample collection. One wonders, how the results would have look like (or whether the initial statistical association would have been maintained), had the authors have matched study patients with controls matched for the chronologig age, when ESRD was declared in study subjects 9or statistically adjusted for).

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests