Reviewer’s report

Title: Large kidneys predict poor renal outcome in subjects with diabetes and chronic kidney disease

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The manuscript of Rigalleau et al. demonstrates that in patients with chronic renal disease larger kidneys predict the progression toward dialysis. Comments to the manuscript are:

1) Is there any correlation between kidney length and kidney volume? In other words, can these data be compared to results previously obtained in other diabetic populations?

2) Type 1 and type 2 diabetic patients are considered in this study. A table showing separate results would help clarifying whether the predictive effect of larger kidneys is a common feature of both types.

3) Albumin excretion rate should be evaluated as the mean of three urinary collections

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests