Reviewer's report

Title: Kidney Function and Multiple Hemostatic Markers: Cross Sectional Associations in The Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis

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In their manuscript, Dubin et al studied the association between hemostatic parameters and kidney function using a large multi-ethnic study. They observed that high levels of hemostatic parameters were associated with lower estimated glomerular filtration rate.

The manuscript is nicely written and is of importance in the field.

I have several comments:

- In the abstract: 'We hypothesized that reduced kidney function would be characterized by abnormalities of hemostasis and that these abnormalities may be potential mediators for CKD and CVD association.' The role of hemostatic modifications on the relation between CKD and CVD is in fact not studied in this paper. So this part of the sentence should be deleted.
- free TFPI (f-TFPI) is the active form of the TFPI molecule. Why did the author chose to measure t-TFPI instead of f-TFPI?
- Liatest D-DI was used to measure D-DI. This method usually has a small sensitivity as compared to ELISA....authors should explain why they have chosen this method.
- It would have been interesting to know the correlations among hemostatic parameters.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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.