Reviewer’s report

Title: End-stage renal disease preceded by rapid declines in kidney function: a case series

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This is an interesting paper on a frequent but seldom reported complication in CKD patients.
However, it requires additional information.

It would be important to describe the outcomes on the group of patients with acute deterioration of kidney function, in terms of recovery of renal function and patient morbidity and mortality, in comparison with those who did not present this problem.

In table 2b the probable cause of ARF is missing.
In table 3 it would be more informative to include eGFR in addition of serum creatinine.
No information is provided in regard of lab results before and after the acute deterioration of kidney function for VA patients.
In which setting did ARF occur? Out-patient or in-patient. Were these patients under the care of nephrologists or other specialists at the time of the acute kidney injury?

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