Reviewer's report

Title: Ocular fundus pathology and chronic kidney disease in a Chinese population

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The manuscript has improved but I have two issues that I would like the authors to include:

1) include the questions used to define cardiovascular disease in the Methods section.

2) 60% of those with retinopathy had hypertensive retinopathy which is defined differently from diabetic retinopathy. The description of retinopathy in the revised Method section fits the way diabetic retinopathy is defined. If the patients really had hypertensive retinopathy without diabetes they must have had very severe hypertension. Please include a paragraph discussing this in the Discussion section and include information on the degree (values of systolic and diastolic) of hypertension in the results section.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I have not competing interests.