Reviewer's report

Title: Validation of the Absolute Renal Risk of Dialysis/Death in Adults with IgA Nephropathy Secondary to Henoch-Schonlein Purpura: a monocentric cohort study.

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This article describes a single centre experience of outcomes from HSP nephritis between 1975-2010.

Major Compulsory Revisions:

The authors need to discuss how relevant these findings are in the "new age" of aggressive BP control and reduction of proteinuria with ACEI & ARB- do they think they can justify this score and the findings of this study, when it has been derived from patient outcomes before these drugs/treatment strategies were introduced?

Discretionary Revisions

In Fig 1 & 2 would the authors consider adding underneath the graphs the numbers of patients under follow-up at each time point for each group- it allows the reader to see exactly how many patients the survival data pertain to- and therefore how reliable the data is.

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

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'