Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Renal dysfunction, restrictive left ventricular filling pattern and mortality risk in patients admitted with heart failure: A 7-year follow-up study

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The revised article by Schou et al. has now improved in most of parts, and methods limitation are now extensively reported following reviewers suggestions. I much appreciated the insertion of Multivariate cox model adjusted for clinical risk factor. Although the paper is original and interesting as I previously written, two major points remain to be clarified.

1. authors don not distinguish patients with impaired and preserved systolic function
2-defintion of restrictive filling pattern based only on DT is incomplete
Minor points some grammar mistakes in the reference need to be corrected

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

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

**Statistical review:** Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.