Reviewer’s report

Title: Circulating Dendritic Cell Precursors in Chronic Kidney Disease: A Cross-sectional Study

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The authors report on the relation between circulating pDC en mDC in relation to loss of eGFR and document that the % of these cells are decreased in CKD3 patients with CAD vs non-CAD.

The manuscript is adequately written, though somewhat lengthy and detailed in some parts. I advice in particular to shorten the introduction part.

The assays used and results obtained are robust but not very novel and confirm the findings of previous studies. The lowered % of DC in CKD3 in however interesting and warrants further research.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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 declare that I have no competing interests'