Reviewer's report

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

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There has been some improvement of the manuscript, but since it is as the authors honestly stress, only a descriptive study, it needs some further shortening and clarification - and also language improvement.

What was actually compared.

Why were the authors not able to find healthy subjects matched - eg. blood donors.

More specifications of the DC measurements could be of help, eg incubation, antibody clones and fluorochromes conjugated.

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.