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This study provides a thorough analysis of the incidence of ESRD in Brazil and very basic information on the dialysis population in the same country.

Overall, information given in this study is of inherently limited general interest. However, this information may be useful to health planners, particularly in South America. If available, I would suggest the authors to add mortality data. Information on mortality, even if limited in a sub population, would add some salt to this descriptive study. By the same token, it would be interesting having comparative data with other south-American registries. For example, very good dialysis registries have been established in Chile and in Uruguay. A table comparing incidence, prevalence, demography and diagnoses in these registries and in the Brazilian registry would certainly increase the interest of this purely descriptive paper reporting very basic information.