Reviewer's report

Title: Relationship between coronary artery disease and C-reactive protein levels in NSTEMI patients with renal dysfunction: a retrospective study

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Reviewer: Colomba C Falcone

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Dear Editor,

In this manuscript, the authors aimed to analyze the relationship between renal function, CAD severity and CRP in patients hospitalized for NSTEMI and to evaluate the outcomes of these patients. They concluded that the extent of coronary artery disease was significantly higher in severe renal dysfunction group and that CRP was positively correlated with renal dysfunction and the number of involved coronary vessels.

The manuscript is nice and the quality of written English is acceptable. However, the findings of the article are important to those with closely related research interests and it needs some improvement. The number of patients included in the study is low. The authors report that in the limitations of the study. However, this reduces the significance of the manuscript.

Minor essential revisions:

Why only a portion of patients undergone coronary angiography and not the entire population of the study? It is important to describe this aspect in the section of materials and methods.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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