Reviewer's report

**Title:** Lipoprotein lipase in hemodialysis patients. Depletion of tissue stores by a low molecular weight heparin, despite low plasma levels of the enzyme

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**Reviewer:** Marc T Hamilton

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General

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)
I would prefer that the authors make the title more accurate to reflect the new data as discussed in the first review. They say "tissue depletion of LPL" in the title, and never measured tissue concentration in this study, or the turnover of LPL to calculate tissue levels. But in the response to me, they said prior studies have shown tissue depletion and it was not feasible to measure it in these people. Regardless, you would think it possible to choose a title to reflect the novel findings.

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

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

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No

**Declaration of competing interests:**

None