Reviewer's report

Title: Prognostic Stratification Of Patients With Advanced Renal Cell Carcinoma Treated With Sunitinib. Comparison With The Memorial Sloan-Kettering Prognostic Factors Model.

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It is nice retrospective analysis on prognostic factors in mRCC treated with anti-angiogenics (sunitinib) in six greek oncology centers. The authors found that only three prognostic factors could be relevant for OS evaluation. Stratification into two groups result in distinctly different OS. This classification is easier to use than the MSKCC (Motzer classification) since no biological parameter need to be taken into account. Some biais are noted but the authors spoke about that in the discussion and concluded that this classification need to be validate.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests