Reviewer's report

Title: Renal abnormalities among HIV-infected, antiretroviral naive children, Harare, Zimbabwe: a cross-sectional study

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Reviewer: Nicola Cotugno

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Minor Revision:
1) Methods, study design and study participants part; It is not clear whether the 3000 children followed in the clinic are HIV infected or not, and the type of transmission should be stated (vertically infected?).

2) Figure 1 is still unclear, it should be stated what the 4 couple of bar plot are referring to.

Discretionary Revisions:
1) Background, first sentence could be combined with the 2nd sentence if it is referring to the same reference.

2) Background, 2nd paragraph, Authors should report at the end of this paragraph the literature trend about this topic instead of list the most recent study published with a short description. However the references should be kept.

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.