Reviewer's report

Title: Longitudinal study of leptin levels in chronic hemodialysis patients

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The authors have examined to determine whether changes of serum leptin levels are correlated with nutritional status over time in a cohort of prevalent hemodialysis patients. The study is well designed and well executed.

I have some recommendations to the authors:

- Table 1 gives some base data. But these are not indispensable. Because you have given the data in your text. The needed data is given in Table 2. You may delete Table 1 from your manuscript.

- Table 3 and figure 2 gives us similar data. You may delete Table 3 from your manuscript.

- There are some points in Figure 3: This figure is not clear enough. And what are the 3 censored datas?

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