Reviewer’s report

Title: Preoperative hypoalbuminemia was associated with acute kidney injury in high-risk patients following non-cardiac surgery: a retrospective cohort study

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The paper presents that preoperative hypoalbuminemia was associated with acute kidney injury in high risk patients following non-cardiac surgery. It is a topic of interest to the researchers in the related area. The paper was well-written. However, the paper needs some improvement before acceptance for publication. My detailed comments are as follows.

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