Reviewer’s report

Title: The Impact of IgM Deposits on the Outcome of Nephrotic Syndrome in Children

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In this paper the authors analyze the outcome of children with IgM deposits and without deposits in the mesangium of glomeruli in renal biopsies and conclude that there is no difference in the outcome among the two groups. This is an interesting study and adds to the growing literature on this topic, which is still controversial at best. The results are potentially important for pediatric nephrologists and nephropathologists. However, the study can not be published in the present form. There are many concerns as under:

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