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Title: Daily hemodialysis practices in Australia/New Zealand and in France: a comparative cohort study

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Comments:

Abstract: in the results sections, do the terms "DHD" and "nocturnal HD" mean the same? Perhaps, make it clearer. Also for the ages differences, 54.8 vs. 64 yrs---is it statistically significant (p-value)?

Page 4-5, lines 86-87, states study is between 1/1/2003 and 12/31/2012, but on top of page 5, line 91, it stated "2013"? Also lines 101 & 118, stated 2013?

Page 12, line 262, I don't think it can be "hypothesized" about "better survival", b/c there are differences in demographics and patient characteristics.

Overall, good study, good stats section, and has good discussion to address all of the issues related to the study.

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