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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review article by Wiedermann CJ et al is interesting.   Issues that could improve the manuscript: The authors must address before Conclusions the limitations of this metaanalysis, as such. Mainly, that most of the papers are restospective, the heterogeinity of the populations under consideration, that a uniform definition of AKI does not exist throughout the papers studied, and last but not least, the usuak fact that we employ creatinine to assess and define AKI. We must address this important issue, and authors could suggest that besides RCTs in this field are mandatory, other AKI biomarkers should be employed to assess the relationship between hypoalbuminemia and AKI (like N-GAL, cystatin, TIMP-2, IL-18, KIM-1, GMP7, and so forth).   Which were the scores employed in the included studies to define AKI?: RIFLE, AKIN, KDIGO 2012, ATKI 2013?. If so (and probably yes), then this must be commented and discussed. In the Introduction: Line 4, first paragraph: and decreased urine output. Please add and/OR decreased...   In the Introduction, please briefly refer to the impact of AKI on forthcoming CKD. This is very important.   Replace poorer by worse. ARF to be

replaced by AKI. Please, this term is not employed any more.

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The manuscript is interesting and suitable for publication in its current form