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PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Scientific quality	[] Grade A: Excellent [] Grade B: Very good [Y] Grade C: Good [] Grade D: Fair [] Grade E: Do not publish
Novelty of this manuscript	[] Grade A: Excellent [] Grade B: Good [Y] Grade C: Fair [] Grade D: No novelty
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Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript	[] Grade A: Excellent [] Grade B: Good [Y] Grade C: Fair [] Grade D: No scientific significance
Language quality	[Y] Grade A: Priority publishing [] Grade B: Minor language polishing [] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	[] Accept (High priority) [] Accept (General priority) [Y] Minor revision [] Major revision [] Rejection
Re-review	[Y] Yes [] No
Peer-reviewer statements	Peer-Review: [Y] Anonymous [] Onymous Conflicts-of-Interest: [] Yes [Y] No

SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a cross-sectional study on the correlation between 24-hour urine protein collection and the spot urine protein to creatinine ratio. Although it is well written, it lacks novelty as there are already numerous similar studies on the topic. These are some points of concern: 1. In the first sentence of the Materials and Methods section, the word "prospective" should be omitted. The design of the study is clearly cross-sectional and not prospective. 2. It is mentioned that included patients were investigated for glomerulopathies. It would be good to know the type and percentage of each glomerulopathy (preferably in the table with patients characteristics) in the patient population. If a specific diagnosis of glomerulopathy is not available or not recorded for the patient population, then the term "in various glomerulopathies" should be omitted from the manuscript title. 3. It is briefly stated that creatinine excretion may be reduced in the patient population (as an explanation for the poor correlation between the variables assessed). The mean 24-hour creatinine excretion should be reported in table 1 for the readers to make their own conclusion about the above statement (it should be available because it was used "to assess the completeness of the urine collection".



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