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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I would like to thanks for the opportunity to review the interesting article. In general, the draft had been written well. I have just minor comments for the authors: 1. Cyst volume could be related the renal function progression, beside fibrosis. Are there any



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correlation between miRNA and the cyst volume of the ADPKD? 2. The study needs positive control with fibrosis tissue, non-ADPKD, to clarify the specified expression of miRNA for the ADPKD fibrosis tissue.

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The manuscript describes the expression of miRNAs using both whole and focal renal tissue (acquired by LCM) in a hypomorphic model of ADPKD. The Introduction, Methods and Conclusions generally well written. The data in the Results are interesting



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for researchers in the field. Some minor suggestions for the authors to consider: - the description of the Results is very brief and could be improved - some brief justification for the sample size (n=3 at each timepoint) should be provided in the Methods (and if needed, a comment in the Discussion might be useful) - do the authors feel that data from whole kidney of wild-type mice is required? (if needed, a comment in the Discussion might be useful)

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