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## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Scientific quality	Good
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Scientific significance of the conclusion in this manuscript	<ul> <li>[ ] Grade A: Excellent [Y] Grade B: Good [ ] Grade C: Fair</li> <li>[ ] Grade D: No scientific significance</li> </ul>
Language quality	[ ] Grade A: Priority publishing [Y] Grade B: Minor language polishing [ ] Grade C: A great deal of language polishing [ ] Grade D: Rejection
Conclusion	<ul> <li>[ ] Accept (High priority)</li> <li>[ ] Accept (General priority)</li> <li>[ Y] Minor revision</li> <li>[ ] Major revision</li> <li>[ ] Rejection</li> </ul>
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## SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors have developed a well-constructed manuscript in the context of Human Pluripotent Stem Cell (hPSC)-derived kidney organoids. The manuscript's development is acceptable, with a good level of detail and a proper structure and coherence. I commend the authors for an excellent review of the paradigm. However, in order to enhance the scientific quality of the manuscript, I suggest the following corrections: I believe that the structure of the introduction could be improved, and there could be more emphasis on whether the potential uses of organoids focus on End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) patients (with the possibility of autotransplantation) or if they could also improve Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) treatment, as it is not entirely clear. Furthermore, it could be supported with data illustrating the need for the treatment of patients with renal disease, including incidence, prevalence, and its evolution over time. I consider that the last section (future direction) could be enhanced. Firstly, consider creating a specific subsection on strengths and weaknesses of current experimental models. Secondly, delve deeper into the molecular biology aspects that are deemed relevant for future research, as well as the priorities in overcoming the problems



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described in the weaknesses subsection. Kind regards.