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Title: Spironolactone ameliorates endothelial dysfunction through inhibition of the AGE/RAGE axis in a chronic renal failure mouse model
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Reviewer's report:

The authors studied the effect of spironolactone on reduction of endothelial dysfunction in Sprague-Dawley rats which developed CKD with 5/6 nephrectomy model. Results demonstrated the benefit of treatment with possible mechanisms. The authors have performed the intensive study and I just have some minor comments.

1. Sprague-Dawley are rats, not mice, therefore the title of mouse model is not quite true.
2. In "Statistical analysis", comparison between before and after treatments in the same group should use Paired T test.
3. The line 18 of page 17, "is aer" should be corrected.

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