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Dear Sir/Madam,

The incidence of chronic kidney disease is increasing around the world and places an important burden on health systems. There is therefore an acute need to increase research in kidney diseases and discover novel therapeutic targets.

To be able to do this, appropriate methods and techniques to assess the kidney function in animal models are needed. We present in this manuscript a minimal work-up for the kidney that we think is needed towards this goal. Sure, the list is not exhaustive and depending on the question asked there may be need for further experiments and techniques.

We hope you will find this paper of interest to your journal

Your sincerely, Dr Sebastian Oltean