# COVID-19-induced acute kidney injury and chronic kidney disease: correspondence response

Doença renal crônica e lesão renal aguda induzida por COVID-19: resposta à correspondência

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Regarding the comment by Dr. Rujittika Mungmunpuntipantip and Dr. Viroj Wiwanitkit, we would like to point out that the initial classification of all the studied individuals into kidney-healthy and chronic kidney disease (CKD) patients was based on their electronic medical records (physical exams, laboratory tests, and abdominal images), as explained in the "Material & Method" section of our article. This was possible because these patients were usually treated in our medical institution. Therefore, all CKD diagnoses performed were based on the KDIGO criteria<sup>1</sup>.

Regarding COVID-19 infection, we focused on those patients who presented acute COVID-19 symptoms and a positive PCR test. The other COVID-19 conditions (asymptomatic, subclinical, etc.) were not of interest for our study.

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None.

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