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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS
This manuscript describes a novel finding, correlation between nephropathy and DLK.
There are several points which need to consider before accepting the article for publishing.
In abstract-background "delayed" please correct it. In background, there are missing spaces, please add space. In result section, authors have mentioned that albumin and other parameters have increased or decreased. How authors conclude increase or decrease. Does they have baseline or earlier values. Please include them in manuscript.
In discussion section, authors should provide reference for "IgA abnormalities in plasma may directly result in sIgA and IgM abnormalities in tears, so abnormal ocular surface conditions cause ocular corneal and conjunctival inflammation". Throughout the discussion, the referencing is very poor. References should be included after every justification or statement. Authors have not discussed why steroid therapy failed? Authors have mentioned that it is a rare case of delayed DLK. But there are other similar cases (BMC Ophthalmol 17, 244 (2017)). Please mention this in discussion. The title should be changed to "Delayed Diffuse Lamellar Keratitis After Small-Incision Lenticule Extraction related to IgA Nephropathy: A Case Report". There are several grammatical mistakes, highlights or missing space.