Reviewer's report

Title: Design of cohort studies in chronic diseases using routinely collected databases when a prescription is used as surrogate outcome

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I accept the revised version.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests