Reviewer’s report

Title: Assessment of the risk of bias in studies in Cochrane reviews

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1. Minor essential revision in the Abstract, last sentence of the Results is missing a word. Should it read: The scales recommended had problems in the individual items and some of the groups recommending components recommended items not related to bias in their quality assessment?

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

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 work at the Norwegian Branch of the Nordic Cochrane Centre and am involved in several Cochrane systematic reviews.