Reviewer’s report

Title: Association between skin diseases and severe bacterial infections in children: case-control study

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General

The authors performed a large study. However, they had very few patients that could be analyzed as is presented in Table 2. There are only 5 case, 5 GP controls and 1 hospital control. With such a small number of patients the whole analysis is meaningless. However, if this is not the case, this reviewer was unable to ascertain the true number of patients because this was not given in the text.

What next?: Reject because scientifically unsound