Reviewer's report

Title: Treatment of generalized anxiety disorder among older patients in Germany

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This study investigated the prevalent prescriptions of potentially inappropriate medications among older patients with generalized anxiety disorder in Germany. The results show that they are frequently prescribed potentially inappropriate medications. The study design and the interpretation of the results are appropriate, and the manuscript is well written. This reviewer raises the following minor concerns.

Minor Essential Revisions:
1. The title of the paper is too general, and should be changed into a specific one, such as potentially inappropriate medication use in older patients with generalized anxiety disorder in Germany.
2. Typographical error on Page 8, line 6: 85 should be replaced with 75.

Discretionary Revisions:
1. At the end of the results, the authors showed potentially inappropriate medication use among patients with or without depression. The reviewer would like to know similar analyses according to the number of comorbidities.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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.