Reviewer’s report

Title: Evaluation of dipstick analysis among elderly residents to detect bacteriuria: a cross-sectional study in 32 nursing homes

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The authors carefully replied on the remarks of my previous review of their manuscript and adjusted the manuscript on several points.

Especially the explanation why the authors choose for a gold standard with different cut-off points (based on presence of a defined set of clinical symptoms) was clear as were the adjustments made in the manuscript on this point.

Their reply on the suggestion made previously for a discretionary revision was also satisfying.

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.