Reviewer's report

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Congratulations on a thorough review. I am fine for the paper to proceed to publication

One final minor point: I would still like to see the authors report how they tested the proportional hazards assumption (schoenfelds, LR-tests) and report the p-value in the table.

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