Reviewer’s report

Title: Polymorphisms in the coagulation factor VII gene and the risk of coronary heart disease: a meta-analysis

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Major Compulsory Revisions
I don’t understand why R353Q is only associated with disease in Asians but -323Ins10 polymorphism is associated in both Asians and Europeans although both variants are in complete LD. Please explain this.

I would suggest that the authors contact either the CARDIoGRAM or the C4D consortium to look-up these variants in these very large data sets. This might give a more definite answer whether Factor VII variants are indeed associated with CHD risk.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:
'I declare that I have no competing interests'