Reviewer's report

**Title:** The multiple sclerosis relapse experience: patient-reported outcomes from the North American Research Committee on Multiple Sclerosis (NARCOMS) Registry

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**Reviewer:** Amy Perrin Ross

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Very nice article. Two minor comments:

1. Reference the first sentence in the abstract. Some may argue QOL has not really been measured.

2. Abstract/ Results: the first sentence is awkward. "40% of respondents were observed..." observed for what? relapse activity, symptom changes, disease worsening? Just explain a bit further. It becomes clear as you read the rest of the article but is an awkward way to start.

Good review of the literature. Well written.

**Level of interest:** An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I have been a consultant for Questcor Pharmaceuticals. (advisory boards) I do not feel that this has influenced my review of the manuscript however.