Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Estimation of the epidemiological burden of human papillomavirus-related cancers and non-malignant diseases in men in Europe: a review

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**Reviewer:** James Stamey

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I found this paper on the estimation of HPV related cancers interesting and well written.

I have two comments.

1. It is not clear to me exactly what statistical methods were used to estimate the totals reported in the paper. I would like to see a little more detail there.

2. It is possible the data is subject to some error. I realize it is not the primary focus of the article, but at least a mention of possible sensitivity analyses that could be performed using results in articles such as:

Ladouceur M, Rahme E, Pineau C, Joseph L.
Robustness of prevalence estimates derived from misclassified data from administrative databases
Biometrics 2007;63:272-279

would be helpful.

**Level of interest:** An article of importance 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 declare that I have no competing interests.