Reviewer's report

Title: Prognostic scores in brain metastases from breast cancer

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This paper compares 5 prognostic scores for the prognosis of breast cancer patients suffering from brain metastases. These patients comprise only 15-20% of all patients with brain metastases, making it difficult to collect enough data for this purpose.

The authors, however, managed to compare some known and some self-contructed scores in a limited, heterogeneously treated population of breast cancer patients with brain metastases. These data may be useful for making treatment decisions in this clinical situation.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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