Reviewer's report

Title: Work-related psychosocial events as triggers of sick leave - results from a Swedish case-crossover study.

Version: 2 Date: 30 November 2010

Reviewer: Petra Koopmans

Reviewer's report:

I am satisfied with the author’s responses and modifications.

Two minor points:

They use matched control and matched pairs interchangeably. I prefer to choose one of both wordings throughout the manuscript.

In some cases non-significant results are presented as support for the research hypotheses.

For example for the matched pair comparisons of relationship with colleagues and the relationship with the superior.

And also in the next sentence: both subgroups showed increased ORs, but the effect estimates were not statistically significant. When non-significant no statements can be made about an increased OR.

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