Reviewer’s report

Title: Personal and trip characteristics associated with safety equipment use by injured adult bicyclists: A cross-sectional study

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Reviewer: Brent Hagel

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I feel the authors have adequately addressed my concerns and I believe the study will make a solid contribution to the literature.

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 was asked to be a collaborator on a Canadian Institutes of Health Research Strategic Teams in Applied Injury Research grant that Dr. Cusimano successfully obtained in 2009 to look at the issue of traumatic brain injury. However, we have not, as yet, had the opportunity to work together on any related research projects and I have not published with Dr. Cusimano.

Dr. Babul and I are co-investigators on a Canadian Institutes of Health Research Strategic Teams in Applied Injury Research grant on Child & Youth Injury Prevention led by Drs. Ian Pike and Alison Macpherson. Dr. Babul and I were also co-investigators on a recent grant application to examine the effect of body checking in youth ice hockey led by Dr. Carolyn Emery. However, we have not, as yet, had the opportunity to publish together.