Reviewer's report

Title: Physical activity in older people: a systematic review

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this article again. The authors have made significant improvements in the manuscript and have adequately addressed previous reviewer concerns. There are a couple of minor issues that still need to be resolved.

1) The authors indicate that they included 53 articles in the review, yet if you look at the number of studies from the different countries, this number adds to 60. It is not clear why there is a difference in these numbers. Can the authors clarify?

2) I would suggest reading the article again for grammar. There are still some minor issues with grammar in the manuscript.

For example, the sentence, Worldwide little is known about how physically active the older population is and how far active older people are compliant with physical activity guidelines should be revised to say, little is known about the physical activity levels of older adults or their compliance with current physical activity guidelines.

In the methods section in the abstract- the which that is highlighted should be "that" ; same comment for the conclusions section

community dwelling should be hyphenated

In the text, be careful with the terms "subjective measured" and objective measured- they should be subjectively and objectively measured PA (subjective and objective in this case are adverbs) or subjective measures of PA

in the discussion, "we found are little" should be we found little

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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' below.