Reviewer’s report

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Reviewer: Marie Aline Charles

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My question about siblings was misunderstood. It concerned the presence of brothers and sisters in the data set. If there are many, the statistical analysis needs to take into account the presence of correlated observations by the use of appropriate methods such as GEE.

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

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 interest