Reviewer's report

**Title:** Efficacy and safety of inhaled formoterol 4.5 and 9 microg twice daily in Japanese and European COPD patients: Phase III study results

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the authors may want to comment on the appropriateness of mixing Japanese and European population given the drug namely formoterol is given via inhalatory route

**Level of interest:** An article of outstanding merit and interest 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 have no conflicts of interest