Reviewer's report

Title: Ambulatory oxygen: why do patients with COPD not use their portable systems as prescribed? A qualitative study

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Major:
This is a study on 27 patients using ambulatory oxygen (25 pts) and portable oxygen (2 pts). Data is on patients feeling about using this kind of oxygen. There is no data on actual usage. You can not use the term "adherence or non adherence" when you don’t know the usage. Complains from using small cylinders have been reported before, and this study add very little. This study may have interest for the local health service.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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' below.