Reviewer's report

**Title:** Can cholesterol be used to distinguish pleural exudates from transudates? Evidence from a bivariate meta-analysis

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**Reviewer:** Luis Manuel

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Minor essential revisions

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

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

**Statistical review:** Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests