Reviewer’s report

Title: Reliability and validity of the Norwegian version of the Disabilities of the arm, shoulder and hand questionnaire in patients with shoulder impingement syndrome

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Reviewer: Stephanie Muth

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Major Compulsory Revisions: None

Minor Essential Revisions:

Abstract
1. Background - 2nd sentence: Capitalize all first letters of DASH when spelling it out

Body

Background
1. 1st sentence: hyphenate decision-making
2. 2nd sentence: Capitalize all first letters inf DASH when spelling it out

Methods

Patients:
3. clearly define inclusion criteria

Measures
4. Capitalize all first letters in Short Form 36 Health Survey when spelling it out
5. Same as above for NPRS
6. Capital D in Helsinki Declaration

Reliability
5th paragraph
7. Abbreviation for Minimal clinically important change = MCID
8. Be consistent with use of abbreviation of MCID

Construct Validity
9. last sentence, first paragraph: capitalize all letters of ICFDHM when spelled out
10. 1st sentence, second paragraph: capitalize S and F of Social Functioning throughout

Figure 1 is found after the Tables, not with the figure title and explanation

Discretionary Revisions
1. suggest a table to display reliability data
2. 1st sentence under Construct Validity - suggest changing "in-line" to "agree with"

Level of interest: An article of importance 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 declare that I have no competing interests