Reviewer's report

Title: Validation of the German version of the Neck Disability Index (NDI)

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1-The description of background, methods, statistical analysis are well defined and seems appropriate, but results needs some explanations, there is no demographic data about the group for responsiveness. Results for factor structure must be examined again.

Discussion needs serious review, page 11, at reference 27, ‘One factor was extracted in exploratory factor analyses, which accounted for 80.2% of the total variance.’ But authors find 39.8%. It is not comparable or I understand wrong. Can they explain how it is comparable.

In summary, this manuscript is a useful addition to scientific knowledge.

However, some major revisions need to be carried out, before it is acceptable for publication.

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.

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