Reviewer's report

Title: A high prevalence of cumulative trauma disorders in Iranian instrumentalists

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General
Much improved both in content and context from original

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)
1. Statement on page 4 that 50% difference between pain in females and males was not significant needs recalculation, I believe.
2. Statement on page 7 relating to incidence of females gives different statistic than page 4.

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)
I appreciate the added reference from hand Clinics to my chapter but if the authors had access to Journal Medical Problems of Performing Artists they would have found many more articles directly related to their work. In near future they will be available on web site: www.sciandmed.com/mppa

What next?: Accept after 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

Declaration of competing interests:

None