Reviewer's report

Title: Endothelin-1 plasma levels in patients with osteoporosis

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Reviewer: R Swaminathan

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General

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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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)

The authors have addressed some of the questions. However they now acknowledge that what they measured was a mixture of endothelins 1, 2 & 3. The literature on endothelin and bone metabolism is mainly concerned about endothelin -1. The basis of their conclusions is therefore questionable and this manuscript is not acceptable.

They have also not addressed my concern about taking blood pressure into account when doing correlations studies

What next?: Reject because scientifically unsound

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests