Reviewer's report

Title: Effectiveness of Photodynamic Therapy for Mammary and Extra-mammary Paget's Disease: A state of the science review

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Reviewer: Debra Fayter

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Discretionary Revisions
This is a well conducted and reported systematic review, acknowledging the limitations of the primary studies in relation to a rare skin disorder. I have just a few suggestions as below.

1. There was evidence of grey literature searching. Could you just clarify if unpublished material was ineligible for the review and give a reason.
2. I appreciate you have kept your inclusion criteria broad but could you expand on the participants a little, for example did you seek to include patients with invasive EMPD?
3. In your discussion first paragraph you may wish to add the caveat that any rarer complications might not be observed in these small studies.
4. In your discussion second paragraph could you reference any studies to back up the first sentence?

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 am the author of a systematic review of photodynamic therapy which was commissioned by the HTA programme.