Reviewer’s report

**Title:** Prediction models for short children born small for gestational age (SGA) covering the total growth phase. Analyses based on data from KIGS (Pfizer International Growth Database)

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**Reviewer:** Maria de Ridder

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I still think it is a pity that the authors, having very valuable data to validate these prediction models, do not present R-squares obtained in the validation data and neat validation plots.

The point of fourth year growth during GH treatment compared to spontaneous normal growth (Discussion) is not cleared. In this study HV in cm/yr is analysed, of children of various ages. Was it checked that these HV was comparable with normal growth, or does this conclusion come from other studies?

**Level of interest:** An article of limited interest

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.