Reviewer’s report

Title: Psychometric evaluation of the Attitudes towards morphine use, French version

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Reviewer: Susan Broekmans

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Interesting article on attitudes towards morphine use, focused on the psychometric evaluation of the scale. As the authors mention in their article little information is available on psychometric quality of scales to measure attitudes of health providers towards morphine use.

I would like to suggest some minor revisions concerning this article:

1. Methods §2: I would like to have some more information on your sample selection. 1100 Questionnaires were distributed, was this to all nurses and doctors or a selection? How many questionnaires were distributed to nurses and physicians respectively?

2. Methods §3: How did you determine the cut-off of 34 and 54 to consider attitudes to be rather positive or negative? Does this cut-off make sense with your results?

3. Methods §4: I suppose the time needed to complete was estimated by the participants. Were they asked to measure the time?

4. Results §8: The 30 subjects for the test-retest reliability, how were they selected?

5. Results: Were results of nurses and doctors comparable? Is the instrument useful for both health professionals?

6. results & discussion: Although the focus of this article is the psychometric quality of the scale, I’m very interested in the results of the questionnaire itself, can you include them in this article or will it be published in an other paper?

7. tables: The items in the table, are they an exact translation of the statements? Were all statements scored in the same direction? (e.g. always 1 for totally disagree)

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the
statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests