Reviewer's report

Title: Synbiotics, probiotics or prebiotics for full term infants: A Systematic Review

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Reviewer: Julie Jones

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Does it address an important or timely issue? Yes, more reviews on the effect of pre and probiotics for a number of uses is needed.

2. Is it well reasoned? It is organized and well written.

3. Is it relatively balanced, or does it make plain where the author's opinions might not represent the field as a whole? YES

4. Is the standard of writing acceptable? Excellent I have only one comment on the writing and that is on P 26 line 16 - the use of less versus fewer I recommend acceptance with only minor, discretionary revisions. My only question about the review is whether there should more be made of the types of prebiotic strains, the viability of the strains under various conditions. Could these aspects have affected the outcomes?

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 have nothing to declare that I have no competing interests.