Reviewer's report

Title: Is Plasma Vitamin C an appropriate Biomarker of Vitamin C Intake? A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

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General
The authors have substantially improved the quality of their manuscript by adding the information on vitamin C methods and sample handling in a new Table (3). This information is essential for a proper validation of the results.

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

Before the manuscript is suitable for publication the authors should modify the information in the last column of Table 3. The vitamin C concentrations should all be given in the same concentration units, preferably ug/l or mmol/l (the choice between ug/l or mmol/l can be made by the authors). This makes the info more readily accessible to the reader.

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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