Reviewer's report

Title: Short-term effects of ambient particulates and gaseous pollutants on the incidence of transient ischaemic attack and minor stroke: a case-crossover study

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Reviewer: Maria Jose Medrano

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As said in my previous report, this is an interesting paper on a relevant matter. All major and minor compulsory revisions I suggested have been adequately responded by the authors in the cover letter. Although I cannot find modifications of the manuscript regarding many of my suggestions -probably the authors are right to believe that these questions are not as important-, changes introduced as a response to the other reviewers make the new version clearer than the first one. Therefore, I find the new manuscript merits publication in Environmental Health.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'