Reviewer's report

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

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Declaration of competing interests:

I am a member of the GRADE working group and use GRADE in my current employment as a guideline developer