Reviewer's report

Title: A Review Of The Differences And Similarities Between Generic Drugs And Their Originator Counterparts, Including Economic Benefits Associated With Usage Of Generic Medicines, Using Ireland As A Case Study.

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This article is still not suitable for publication on the basis of following:

1) The objectives are still not very clear and the most of the material written in the first part (On general generic issues) is available in the literature. It is difficult to understand that how this would be particulary beneficial for the readers.

2) There are three pages of conclusion at the end, normally conclusions are couple of succinct paragraphs. Also conclusion does not seem to be linking with the objectives.

3) Most of the material in the paper is a jumble of information without any clear focus and linking

My suggestion to the authors is to prepare a short report on Ireland generics (Max 3000-3500 words) and then resubmit the article for publication.

Quality of written English: Not suitable for publication unless extensively edited

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

Declaration of competing interests:

None