Reviewer’s report

Title: Diagnostic accuracy of clinical tools for assessment of acute stroke: a systematic review

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Reviewer: Jesper Weile

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this paper.

The paper is very well written. The structure is easy to understand and fairly easy to read. The question investigated seems relevant.

The research questions are clear.

In my opinion the MESH terms used could have been included in the main paper.

Discussion and conclusion are both a little long in my opinion. Especially the conclusion is long. The first part of the discussion could be shortened without loss of quality.

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