Reviewer’s report

Title: Validity and reliability of the Urdu version of the 5D itching scale to assess pruritus among patients with chronic kidney disease in Pakistan

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Reviewer: Adam Reich

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This is a well written manuscript on the validation of Urdu version of the 5D-Itch Severity Scale. I have only two comments:

1. Please modify the following sentence referring to pruritus: "It is well recognized as the most common and sometimes endured complication in chronic renal failure patients" to "It is well recognized as the common and sometimes endured complication in chronic renal failure patients". Saying that something is "The most common" is always questionable, as it depends on the population studied and methodology.

2. Results: Part referring to discriminative validity is poorly written - please rewrite.

In addition, the Urdu version of 5D Itch Scale should be included as Attachment.

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