Reviewer’s report

Title: Incidence and Risk Factors of Retinopathy of Prematurity in Iran: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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I commend the authors for an excellent work in responding to my comments. I have two comments that were not fully addressed, and in particular the first point I would like to see addressed before publication. In addition, the English is much improved, but some language revision would still be ideal before final publication.

1. Figure 6, the meta-regression, is still missing a unit for the event rate (y-axis). Please label the y-axis.

In addition, the authors only mention the p-value for the meta-regression. In order to get a clearer picture of its significance, the authors should add the coefficient and 95% confidence interval for the meta-regression, in the results sections and as part the figure. They should also mention the type of model used for the meta-regression. In it its current state, I believe this result lacks the necessary information for the reader to interpret it well.

2. The author's mention that the PRISMA checklist is attached in the supplementary material. I could not find it in the supplementary material of the PDF I was sent, but this might be an issue with the document. If it is attached collectedly in the final version, then this is not an issue.

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