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Title: Breast Cancer Screening Disparities among Urban immigrants: A Population-Based Study in Ontario, Canada

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Major Compulsory:
There needs to be some clarification of the variable definitions. It seems as though there would be overlap between “identified immigrants” captured in CIC data and recent registrants. It seems as though there may be identified immigrants in the recent registrants and long-term residents categories.

The outcome variable seems to be a dichotomous yes/no for breast cancer screening in the past 2 years. However, they use Poisson regression which should be used for count variables as the dependent variable.

Minor essential:
What guidelines are used to support the definition of appropriately screened being one mammogram in the two year period. A reference needs to be provided.

The data start at women aged 50. What about women younger than 50?

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests