Reviewer's report

**Title:** Reliability and validity of CDAI and SDAI in comparison to DAS-28 in Moroccan patients with rheumatoid arthritis

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**Reviewer:** Dalia Mohamed Ezz El Din El Mikkawy

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Major Compulsory Revisions:

in 2nd paragraph in Results, 2nd statement: most of our patients >60% UNDER moderate and High DAS28, CDAI, SDAI ( Not match with numbers in Table 2 ) Should be corrected UNDER High disease activity Not Moderate.

Term ( Moderate ) in last paragraph in abstract results, in 4th paragraph in Results, and in 2nd paragraph in Discussion should be changed to ( Fair ) interrater agreement. ( according your classification definition in last paragraph in Subject and Methods K 0.4-0.75 fair to Good ) No term of moderate was Defined.

Last Paragraph of Background : Evaluate Reliability and Validity ( Not statistical test).

Minor Essential Revisions:

4th paragraph of background : Add its reference ( statment after reference 7).

Patients and Methods, 2nd statement: RA ( Add : clinical and Laboratory assessment Data).

Question of interest is well defined. Methods are appropriate and well described. manuscript is adherent to standard reporting. Discussion and conclusion are well balanced. Limitations are clearly stated. No acknowledgement was written. title and Abstract are acceptable.

Dalia Mohamed Ezz El Din

**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.