Reviewer's report

Title: Treatment decisions regarding caries and dental developmental defects in children – a questionnaire-based study among Norwegian dentists

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Thank you for the interesting article.

It is well written and it gives a clear overview of treatment decisions made by Norwegian dentists.

I wonder if the use of rubberdam/cofferdam is common in Norway and how this can possibly influence the treatment decisions made.

At the dental schools in Norway, what is the advice to use as a restoration material in primary teeth?

There are many young women in your study. That is possibly due to the fact that you only included PDS-employed dentists. Is this true or is there another explanation? And how many percent of the total dentist works for PDS?

Question with table 1: why did you choose 41 to split the age groups? Does this have something to do with the date amalgam was banned at the universities?
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