Reviewer's report

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It is very difficult for me to identify where and what the authors have made the changes based on the reviewers' comments. I expected that I would be able to see the manuscript with changes (with changes clearly identifiable with color or under line, or deletion) and one with changes are confirmed. Without the changes indicated, the reviewing process is tough to appreciate.

In terms of point-to-point review, the authors failed to address my points. My major requests were 1) inclusion of US data and 2) usage of h-index. The authors response did not address the question 1). Please do so. 2) was simply refused due to the other submission. Please send the submitted manuscript if they refuse to add this crucial information. I am concerned that the authors simply split the information to make two separate manuscripts which could have been reported as a single manuscript.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

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