Reviewer’s report

Title: Validating surgical procedure codes for inflammatory bowel disease in the Swedish National Patient Register

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The authors conducted a very neat analysis on validating the procedure codes for IBD, the overall study design and analysis approach are appropriate. The only concern I have is that the authors did not sufficiently justify what this study contribute. In the introduction, I would like to see more background on what the validation of this procedure code is needed, and the authors should also extensively discuss what the findings on this study implicate for future.

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