Reviewer’s report

Title: Comparing trends in mortality from cardiovascular disease and cancer in the United Kingdom, 1983-2013: joinpoint regression analysis

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This is a fascinating analysis with implications for public health policy. The manuscript is well written and clearly explained. I am not in a position to assess the joinpoint regression analysis, this should be done by a statistician. My only suggestion is that you add a graph with the individual cancers for males and females using a maximum of 200 on the y-axis in an appendix. It would be nice to be able to see the trends more clearly but I understand that in Figure 4 all the graphs need to be using the same scale.

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