Reviewer’s report

Title: A comparison between two recommendations to conduct and report systematic reviews on drug’s safety

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The paper addresses an interesting topic, there are few studies comparing guidelines, mainly in drug field. Some important aspects must be clear to further publication. In my opinion, the paper highlights a debate than really test or compare (based on the scientific methods to properly compare two instruments, group or anything), some further discussion about aspects of the conduction of each Systematic Review based on the guidelines. It is not clear who, when and how they used the guidelines to answer the question proposed. Another important fact is that hence properly methods to test and compare (I think it is not possible to consider it for the development of a new SR, but certainly it could be performed to analyze the quality of report of some SR, as already been produced). The paper is more useful to compare the guidelines in way to conduct than report, since further studies already verify the quality of report in a better way (i.e. using statistical methods to verify the influence of different characteristics in the quality of the report). Furthermore, those previous works were not used as references and must be included in the discussion section. Finally, all the specific aspects to improve paper quality were cited as topics in the reviewer's report to the author. Considering the aforementioned, my suggestion is to major review the manuscript.

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