Reviewer’s report

Title: The impact of gout as described by patients, using the lens of the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF): A qualitative study.

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Reviewer: Ingrid Thyberg

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This is an interesting study and the different methods used for interviewing the patients gives a wide range of experiences. The use of the ICF classification to categorize the findings is a strength.

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