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Review Report

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This study provides a systematic review of the literature pertaining to pain assessment in the elderly admitted in ICU. Pain is an important component of those conditions and therefore it is significant to establish standard protocols. This study addresses the issue. Therefore this reviewer has only minor concerns:

In the methods section, NIH criteria for CUI diagnosis must be described in more detail. The initials of the single reviewer that examined abstract should be provided and also the initials of the authors that categorized articles.

References need to be re-formatted as are indicated by numbers in the text but numbers are missing in the references section.

The 29 studies that were selected should be properly indicated in the text ( a table for example) or in the figure legend.

I have read this submission. I believe that I have an appropriate level of expertise to confirm that it is of an acceptable scientific standard, however we have significant reservations, as outlined above.