

## Reviewer's report

**Title:** The Effect of Ambient Air Pollution on Respiratory Health of School Children: a Panel Study

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**Reviewer:** Russell Lopez

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General

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

The total sample is still not well characterized. How many students were not included in the study?

It still needs a better discussion of generalizability.

Still needs a better discussion of EBC, though the discussion session says it is not appropriate for this kind of research.

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

**What next?:** Unable to decide on acceptance or rejection until the authors have responded to the major compulsory revisions

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.