

Reviewer's report

Title: Reducing Ultraviolet Radiation Exposure Among Outdoor Workers: State of the Evidence and Recommendations

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General

This review paper is thorough, well-written, and well-organized. The comments and conclusions were generally grounded in the evidence.

Major Compulsory Revisions . None

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

I thought that some updates should be made, even though this paper is based on an earlier evidence review. This includes updating the cancer morbidity and mortality rates in the Introduction (and other places, if applicable). Also, some recent studies that are relevant that I have been involved in should be added, and there likely other papers that fall into this category. Mine include: 2 observational studies of outdoor workers' exposure/protection--1) Salas, R. et al (2005). J of Occ and Environ Med 47, 1244-1249 (farmworkers), and 2) Pichon, L. et al, (2005), Am J Prev Med 28, 374-378 (postal workers). For intervention studies--the outcomes of the postal worker intervention mentioned using the Oh et al reference has now been published--Mayer, J. et al (2007) AJP, 97, 559-565.

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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