Author's response to reviews

Title: Incidence, prevalence, and hybrid approaches to calculating disability-adjusted life years

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To the editors,

Thank you very much for accepting my article for publication, and for providing very helpful feedback (both from the reviewers and from the editorial staff). Below, I summarize the changes (aside from typographical corrections and other minor changes of wording) I have made since my original submission. I should also note that I have submitted this as a "Commentary" because that seemed like the most accurate label, but you are of course welcome to change that if you believe another category more appropriate for the article.

Sincerely,

Andrew Schroeder

SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL CHANGES

1. Updated formatting to PHM standards. (This involved removing some unnecessary or duplicative references and removing some footnotes, so as to minimize the number of endnotes.)

2. Removed abbreviation from title.

3. Renamed first I-DALY individuation option "individuation by sequelae and death", at editors' suggestion.

4. Changed example condition on p. 4 from lung cancer to (more realistic) COPD, at editor's suggestion.

5. Added or significantly expanded endnotes g, h, and j, in response to questions/comments of reviewers and editors.

6. Fixed the YLD mistake, to reflect the fact that YLD are already multiplied by DW, at editor's suggestion.
7. Made numerous minor changes of phrasing to improve clarity/readability.