Reviewer's report

**Title:** The effect of preoperative suggestions on perioperative dreams and dream recalls after administration of different general anesthetic combinations: a randomized trial in maxillofacial surgery

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**Reviewer:** Hendrikus Lemmens

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Minor Essential Revisions

**Abstract:**

“Primary outcome measure was the incidence of postoperative dreams in the non-intervention group and in the three groups receiving different psychological interventions.”

This sentence is unclear which are the three groups receiving different psychological interventions?

**Methods line 17:**

“In the control group spontaneous dreams of patients were assessed under conventionally managed anesthesia without suggestions”

“conventionally managed anesthesia” is confusing: aren’t those patients assigned to one of the 3 anesthesia types?

“Narcosis” is a term not being used anymore. Please replace with anesthesia.

page 13 line 8 :”reran” replace with repeated

Page 14 Line 23: “the anesthetic state is very similar to NREM sleep and the neural correlates of the two states show great similarities” Please replace with “the anesthetic state may have similarities compared to NREM sleep”

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

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being published

**Statistical review:** Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

'I declare that I have no competing interests'