Reviewer's report

**Title:** Psychometric properties of the IDS-SR30 for the assessment of depressive symptoms in Spanish population

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**Reviewer:** Ira Bernstein

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I am not convinced that the third factor is worth the loss in parsimony. This can be addressed by reporting the Akaike Information Criteria (or similar) statistics that are reported in their MPlus output. Other than that, I think the paper makes a valuable contribution. I consider this a minor essential revision.

**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.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I own stock in Briston Meyers Squibb and in Merck and Co.