Reviewer's report

Title: Analysis of decisions made in meta-analyses of depression screening and the risk of "hunch" bias: a case study

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Authors' response and the revised manuscript are generally satisfactory.

I have one more comment: The concept of "hunch" bias is mostly identical to "confirmation bias" that has already been widely used in research. As the minimum, authors need to make an explicit link of hunch bias and confirmation bias in discussion section. Also helpful to add "confirmation bias" as one of the listed key words.

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 declare that I have no competing interests'