Reviewer's report

Title: When is rational to participate in a clinical trial? A game theory approach incorporating trust, regret and guilt

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this paper begins from a totally unacceptable premise. It is widely recognized that 'equipoise' is the basis of all trial recruitment. If this does not exist then randomisation is unethical - full stop. Game theoretic issues have no role in this decision.

Level of interest: An article of insufficient interest to warrant publication in a scientific/medical journal

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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