Reviewer’s report

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Although the authors made some changes to the manuscript, they have dealt only with part of my criticisms. There are some additions to the manuscript but I had asked to make the paper substantially shorter. I still miss the responses to several of my questions. Although that authors mention some limitations this does not make the study (and the report) much better. Altogether the authors have done too little to improve the manuscript.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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

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