Reviewer's report

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Reviewer: Riccardo Troncone

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Thank you very much for having given to me the opportunity to review this paper. I read the reviewers comments and the reply of the Authors. I think that the specific issues raised by the reviewers have been properly faced. The referees had, apart from specific issues, two main general concerns regarding the originality of the observations and the suitability of the model chosen. Personally I think that the observations reported in this paper add to the present knowledge of the GI GvHR and are worthy to be published.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field