Reviewer's report

**Title:** Polymorphism in the oxytocin promoter region in patients with lactase non-persistence is not related to symptoms

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**Reviewer:** Irma Jarvela

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The article has been improved a lot.

I have some minor comments:

1. The paper by Bernardes-Silva CF, Pereira AC, de Fátima Alves da Mota G, Krieger JE, Laudanna AA. Lactase persistence/non-persistence variants, C/T_13910 and G/A_22018, as a diagnostic tool for lactose intolerance in IBS patients. Clin Chim Acta. 2007 Nov-Dec;386(1-2):7-11 is closely related to this work but not mentioned in the manuscript. I recommend the authors to refer to this paper.

2. Ref #22 is old. Recently, more variants have been found to be candidates of lactase persistence/non-persistence. See publications:


**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**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.