Reviewer's report

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Before it is finally accepted, I would like the authors to comment on the local genomic structure around the deletion GA they report. Is there a run of GAGAGA that would explain this being a recurrent mutation? If not, I would question the haplotype data and would like them to show the data in the paper, maybe in a table instead of partially in the text (as it is now).