Reviewer’s report

**Title:** The first report of RPSA polymorphisms, also called 37/67 kDa LRP/LR gene, in sporadic Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD)

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**Reviewer:** Pierluigi Gambetti

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- Major Compulsory Revisions

The genetic study that is central part of the manuscript appears to be carefully executed and, therefore, the conclusions appear to be firm. The size of the patient population is also adequate for this study. However, the authors fail to provide sufficient information as for the characteristics of this population. How many patients had a definitive, and how many a probable diagnosis of sCJD? How was the distribution of the 129 polymorphism, i.e. how many patients were 129MM and how many 129MV (as likely there were no VV subjects)? The authors should provide this information.

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

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

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests