Reviewer's report

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Reviewer: Haris Kokotas

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The authors have significantly improved their manuscript by addressing the issues raised by the reviewers and therefore I can recommend that their manuscript should be published in BMC Medical Genetics. I wish them good luck to their future efforts.

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

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