Reviewer's report

Title: A case of autism with an interstitial deletion on 4q leading to hemizygosity for genes encoding for glutamine and glycine neurotransmitter receptor sub-units (AMPA 2, GLRA3, GLRB) and neuropeptide receptors NPY1R, NPY5R

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General

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)
In Table 2, the first clone, which has not been deleted (RP11-90K3), is listed as having a map position of 4q32. The deletion is said to begin in 4q31.3. Either the map position is wrong, or there is some other discrepancy. If the information is wrong, it should be corrected. If the information is correction, then the discrepancy should be explained in the text.

Otherwise I have no problem with this excellently written manuscript which may, with additional studies, lead to important genetic findings in autism.

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

None