Reviewer's report

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Reviewer's report:

The modifications I have suggested, as well as other reviewers, have been adapted by the authors. The manuscript has significantly improved its quality and I think it can be published.

I find appropriate all the comments and changes made by the authors are according to my suggestions (which focuses on the objective of the study in the introduction, a point of view more suitable for clinics, adding a final paragraph, describing the limitations of the study, among other suggestions). Moreover, I can even accept not to separate the results of the discussion, especially in view of the condensation of the manuscript.

The article can be accepted for publication.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

'I declare that I have no competing interests'