Reviewer’s report

Title: The importance of HLA DRB1 gene allele to clinical features and disability in patients with multiple sclerosis in Lithuania

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Major Compulsory Revisions

This is an interesting study, especially with attempts to investigate a number of different clinical variables. The only limitation is sample size and the need for correction for multiple testing. The authors need to mention this in the discussion. Whereas some of the findings e.g. HLA-DRB1*15 associated with a lower age of onset are well known, some other findings are newer and thus further validation is key.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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

Declaration of competing interests:

No competing interests.