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Title: Assessment of visual fixation in vegetative and minimally conscious states

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To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for making the suggested revisions to the manuscript. A few minor comments are provided below:

Minor Essential Revisions

Abstract: “However, the use of different stimuli changes the frequency of visual fixation occurs in patients…” Should read “However, the use of different stimuli changes the frequency with which visual fixation…”

Methods: First paragraph- “and this protocol can be re-administered” should be “and this protocol was re-administered…”

Background: First paragraph- you have already defined MCS and VS/UWS abbreviations in the abstract so you can just use the abbreviations in the text.

Discretionary Revisions

Discussion: Can you hypothesize why 3 MCS patients did not fixate on any of the three objects?

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