Reviewer's report

Title: Mechanisms underlying fatigue: a voxel-based morphometric study of chronic fatigue syndrome

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General - This is an extremely interesting paper. With implication of the cerebellum, however, it would be of added benefit if the authors had extended their analysis to that part of the brain. However, I would leave the decision of whether or not to do this up to the authors.

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

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore): Authors may choose to cite an earlier study in which ventricular enlargement was found in CFS (Lange et al. Applied Neuropsychology, 8:23-30, 2001).

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

None