Reviewer's report

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General
Most of the suggested changes have been made, although the authors still do not give the absolute numbers for sensitivity and specificity in the abstract. The problems that now remain with the manuscript arise from use of English - I appreciate this is probably an unfair criticism, given that English will not be the authors first language, but the manuscript does require some editing before publication to clarify meaning and correct grammatical errors. Once this has been performed I recommend acceptance without further revision.

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)

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

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

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None