Reviewer's report

Title: A pilot study of rivastigmine in the treatment of delirium after stroke; a safe alternative

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Discretionary revisions:
The abstract could be more explicit with the mention of:
- definition of severe delirium
- dose range of orally administered rivastigmine
- average reduction in Delirium rating scale

Page 5:
One patient showed no response at all, despite a daily rivastigmine dose of 9 mg (Detail why titration to 12 mg was not tried)
Five patients needed additional medication because of insomnia (specify drugs and dosages if possible).

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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