Reviewer's report

Title: Depression and loneliness in Jamaicans with sickle cell disease

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The authors did a very nice job of responding to queries. The clarifications were appropriate for the BDI scores with a good explanation of limitations. Excellent description of hopelessness vs depression and their co-occurrences.

Authors clarified associations and appropriately described the findings.

Updated discussion regarding depression and medical illnesses.

This paper should be carefully edited for typographical errors, however, this is now an acceptable publication.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare I have no competing interests.