Reviewer's report

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**Reviewer:** Amy Mezulis

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The authors have done an admirable job of responding to reviewer comments from the prior round. The manuscript is much more readable as a result.

Major Revisions - the one major revision I would like to see is better interpretation and discussion of the depression factors, specifically how they relate to predicting later depression. Also, it is unclear the rationale for using factor analyzed depression scales (e.g. cognitive, somatic) as predictors but the total MFQ as the outcome variable in symptom analyses. Once this is made clear throughout the manuscript (methods; results; and discussion) I think the paper is publishable.

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

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

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.