Reviewer's report

Title: The Greek Translation of the Symptoms Rating Scale For Depression and Anxiety: preliminary results of the validation study

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Reviewer: Zoe Katsarou

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General This is the first attempt to translate into Greek and validate the Symptoms Rating Scale for Depression and Anxiety. I have double checked the Greek translation and I have found it both accurate and linguistically correct. Please observe a few typing errors in the Greek text: The Greek letter iota has been replaced by a t in items 4(b), 20(a) and 36(c).

I should to add some information concerning the translation and validation of the BDI in Greek. This instrument was first translated by Donias S. & Demertzis I. in 1983. The results were published in the proceedings of the 5th Greek Conference for Neurology and Psychiatry, 1983, pp: 486-492. I understand that since this paper is not cited in the Index Medicus it was not accessible to the authors.

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

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

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

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Quality of written English: Acceptable

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None