Reviewer's report

Title: Ritanserin as an adjunct to lithium and haloperidol for the treatment of acute episodes of mania: a double blind and placebo controlled trial

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b) Compulsory revisions

Remove all p-values relating to baseline comparisons of patient characteristics (Table 1) and comparisons of numbers of patients with adverse events (Table 3). Statistical significance tests are not valid in this type of comparison.

There is an error in the numbers reported for "agitation" in Table 3, Group B.

Competing interests:

None declared.