Reviewer's report

Title: ZDHHC8 as a candidate gene for schizophrenia? Analysis of a putative functional intronic marker in case-control and family-based association studies

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General
The ZDHHC8 gene has been the subject of intensive research in schizophrenia over the last year or so. The current study provides additional evidence against the involvement of this gene in the aetiology of schizophrenia. The sample size is good, with both trios and case-control samples being used. The methods used are standard and clearly described, and the results are presented clearly. I have no suggestions for any changes to be made.

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

nil

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

nil

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

nil

What next?: Accept without revision

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests