Reviewer's report

Title: Quantitative EEG findings in patients with acute, brief depression combined with other fluctuating psychiatric symptoms: a controlled study from an acute psychiatric department

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Minor essential revisions:
I believe the main concerns I expressed before were addressed by the authors. However, the changes made to the summary make the reading somewhat difficult, so I would suggest rewriting the methods section in the summary for more concision, especially the first paragraph (e.g. "We studied sixteen patients admitted in our emergency during an acute brief depressive episode with other associated psychiatric symptoms"). I would suggest also some more language polishing for the sake of briefness.

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

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

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

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.