Reviewer's report

Title: Cognitive "branching" processes in major depression: evidence for a generalised learning deficit

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This is a carefully conducted and well described negative study of cognitive impairment in depression. The data should be available to the scientific community.

Minor Essential Revisions:

22.8 (4.9)** – – – – in Table 1 does not make sense, if there are no control data, there can be no significance level.

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

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

no competing interests