Reviewer's report

**Title:** Folic acid supplementation before and during pregnancy in the Newborn Epigenetics Study (NEST)

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- Discretionary Revisions

The authors used a questionnaire with questions about folic acid intake. I suppose it was not anonymous because they had to take umbilical cord afterwards. It should be mentioned in the text within the data collection section.

The data are sound, expressed well by appropriate statistical methods. Anyway, while reading the tables, one could ask were all these pregnancies planned. Planning pregnancy is important in periconceptional folic acid supplementation and the authors should mention in table if there were data about it, if not, at least in discussion later.

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

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

**Declaration of competing interests:**

'I declare that I have no competing interests'