**Reviewer's report**

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Please find below a brief review of MS: 1267366635259828

Research article

The Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale: translation and validation for a Greek sample

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At the outset it is important to clarify that I am not in a position to review the detailed statistics as it is not my particular expertise and I generally work with a statistician who is not available currently. However I am familiar with the literature in this area and the approach taken is a thorough and an impressive review of the properties of the Greek EPDS, well placed in the context of a number of existing studies. The findings parallel what has been found with the EPDS in other languages (sensitivity, specificity, 2 factor structure, cutoffs for both major and minor depression) and it is helpful to see such a detailed analysis, albeit on a relatively small sample. Suggestions for improvement include some assistance with English phrasing and if possible a reduction in the numbers of separate tables/figures (could some be combined?)

Note also for your interest our article

Screening for postnatal depression in routine primary care: properties of the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale in an Australian sample

Jeannette Milgrom; Jennifer Ericksen; Lisa Negri; Alan W. Gemmill


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

**Quality of written English:** Needs some language corrections before being published
**Statistical review:** Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

'I declare that I have no competing interests'