Reviewer's report

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The authors have responded adequately to the comments, although the authors may wish to better explain in their introduction the rationale at this time, for studying the effect of HA, a synovial fluid component, and direct chondrocyte adhesion to biomaterial surfaces that in previous studies were implanted deep in the subchondral bone. This clarification would be useful but is not essential.

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 have no conflicts to declare in relation to this work.