Reviewer’s report

Title: Effect of Head and Limb Orientation on Trunk Muscle Activation During Abdominal Hollowing in Chronic Low Back Pain

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Reviewer: Mark Lidegaard

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In general I feel that the authors have answered the comment in the original review in a satisfactory manner and I only have some minor comments.

See attachment for detailed information

1. Minor essential revision:
   This is comment nr. 9 from the first review “Why did you choose the frame? Furthermore it differs from the exclusion criteria pain free subjects (6 months)”.  
   In the otherwise satisfactory authors’ response you state the following: “We have added the following citation for using a 6 month exclusion criteria. Turk DC, Okifuji A. Pain terms and taxonomies. In: Loeser. D, Butler SH, Chapman JJ, et al (eds.). Bonica’s Management of Pain, 3rd ed. philadelphia (PA): Lippincott, Williams &. Wilkins; 2001:18-25. 2.”
   However I can’t seem to find this reference neither in the text nor in the references.

2. Discretionary Revisions:
   This should be an “o” instead of a “0”

3. Discretionary Revisions:
   This is comment nr. 24 from the first review “Not important, leave out”.
   In authors’ response you state that this section has been deleted, however it still appears in the manuscript.

4. Discretionary Revisions:
   In my opinion it would improve the reading experience if the numerous explanations/ reasons were highlighted. It can be done in several ways, fx. 1), 2), 3) etc., i) ii) iii) ect.

5. Discretionary Revisions:
   There is no information regarding Mr. Drinkwater

6. Minor essential revision:
   The following sections appear twice in the manuscript (First time on page 23)
**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**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