Reviewer's report

Title: Recruitment curve of the soleus H-Reflex in chronic back pain and lumbosacral radiculopathy

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I think that the manuscript now shows nicely the potential clinical utility of examining the H reflex threshold for determining a radicular lesion in patients who only complain of back pain.
I do have still minor points:

page 4, the 4th line '... it is seems... '
page 5, third sentence: The patients cannot have at the same time '.... pain radiating not further than the buttock...' and '...pain radiating to the lower limbs..' The authors probably mean 'or' rather than 'and'
page 7, line 10, 'Results were compared to those.... (rather than that).' Still, this sentence needs a better construction.
page 11, line 3. The construction would read better: 'To exclude the possibility that ....'
Page 15, last line, there is an extre 'the'.

Competing interests:

None declared.