Reviewer's report

Title: Norepinephrine-evoked pain in Fibromyalgia. A Randomized Study.

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The study is interesting and potentially important to understand the mechanism of pain in fibromyalgia. The investigators have outlined the weaknesses of their study which I believe are significant. Specifically the design of the study lend to significant bias in the interpretation of the severity of pain since the investigator who performed the injections was not blinded to the diagnosis of the patients. The other important limitation is the investigators did not perform sympathetic blockade before evoking pain with norepinephrine(NE) injection. The investigators have not compared NE injection alone with injection of sympathetic blockade followed by NE injection.

Competing interests:

None declared.