Reviewer’s report

Title: The Effect of Long vs. Short Duration of Electroacupuncture on Analgesia and Sensory Thresholds: A randomized study for acupuncture analgesic mechanisms

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The manuscript described the effect of long versus short electroacupuncture on analgesia and sensory threshold in 16 healthy subjects (10 females and 6 males) in a randomized fashion, a 3-session series (five-, fifteen-, and thirty-minute) EA was delivered at the TPs at 5 Hz with a pulse duration of 300μs and an intensity of 8 out of a maximum of 10 on a 6V square-wave stimulator (Eto-160, Japan) at least one week apart.

Specific comments

Results
Is there a gender difference in analgesia and cold and warm threshold?

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

Level of interest: An exceptional article

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 conflict of interest