Reviewer's report

Title: Tutoring in problem-based learning medical curricula: the influence of tutor background and style on effectiveness

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Reviewer: Anthony Staines

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General
This is a nice piece of work. The paper has been revised and is now clearer. I still have some minor reservations about correlation coefficients, and backward selection, but these issues have been clarified in the text.

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

I agree that the term general linear model is actually correctly used, however I remain of the view that it is confusing, and indeed it confused me, and would suggest 'linear regression' instead.

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions
Level of interest: An article of importance in its field
Quality of written English: Acceptable
Statistical review: No
Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.