Reviewer’s report

Title: Stroke patients’ utilisation of extrinsic feedback from computer-based technology in the home: a realistic evaluation

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Reviewer: Imre Cikajlo

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This paper describes the application of an innovative evaluative methodology to explore the utilisation of feedback for post-stroke upper-limb rehabilitation in the home. The manuscript has been improved with additional text that clarified the misunderstandings or scientific issues. However, the research theory is supported by finding in 5 individuals, case studies, which cannot confirm or drop the presented theory. Thus the title of the paper should indicate that the research comprises case-studies.

Major Compulsory Revisions

1. Title should contain that the research is a case-study.

Minor Essential Revisions

2. P10, What “critical feedback” does the SMART provide? This is not specified in the manuscript or did I missed?

Discretionary Revisions

3. Parenthesis is missing “rehabilitation [51. “

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.