Reviewer's report

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My thanks to the authors for their thoughtful responses to my comments. I am satisfied that in the revised manuscript they have responded appropriately to the issues I raised.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.