Reviewer's report

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I am satisfied with the revisions that the authors have made to the manuscript. They were responsive to reviewers' comments. While the paper is indeed lengthy, I believe that, given the range of subject matter covered, it is appropriate.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare I have no competing interests.