Reviewer's report

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The authors have responded to my reviewer comments and clarified outstanding issues. While I appreciate that the manuscript has been reviewed by a native English speaker and changes to the manuscript have been made, I feel there are still areas of English that need to be corrected, with occasional missing words etc. It is a decision for the journal how this issue is handled.

I think the report is still quite long and the discussion could be shortened further, although I note the authors have done some editing in this regard. Again this issue remains one for the journal.

With the caveats mentioned here, I think the paper is suitable for publication.