Reviewer’s report

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The authors have adequately responded to my comments. The remaining discussion points are dealt with sufficiently in the Discussion and so are available for any future debate. There is one correction to made: after exclusion of the two patients with objective reactions to placebo (which, by the way, is one of the points that may play a role in future debates), the CMA group counts now 38 patients with 39% late reactions. In the Discussion and the Conclusion, however, the authors still mention 40 CMA patients and 37.5% late reactions.

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 that I have no competing interests