Reviewer's report

**Title:** Sodium vanadate combined with L-ascorbic acid delays disease progression, enhances motor performance, and ameliorates muscle atrophy and weakness in mice with spinal muscular atrophy

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**Reviewer:** Matthew E. R. Butchbach

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Minor Essential Revisions
1. What is the SMN2 copy number of the HDFs isolated from a type II SMA patient?
2. The "right reflection" assay is generally referred to as the "surface righting" response/assay.

**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.