Reviewer's report

Title: Study of therapeutic hypothermia (32-35 degreesC) for intracranial pressure reduction after traumatic brain injury (the Eurotherm3235 Trial). Outcome of the Pilot phase of the trial

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Reviewer: Felix Schlachetzki

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The manuscript has been significantly improved. However, I still think that the discussion includes data that should be mentioned in the results part, and commented on in the discussion part (i.e. trial management: second to last paragraph – suggestion: split results and comments).

Please comment on the differences of the POLAR-RCT trial to the Eurotherm3235 Trial – why does it answer a different but complementary research question?

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:

None.