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Minor Essential Revisions: As described in the cover letter, the authors replied on my question about the hypothesis. It is very important to figure out the real acupuncture effect and placebo effect. The practicability should be considered as a key point.

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 that I have no competing interests.