Reviewer’s report

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I wondering this method will eliminates the charm of acupuncture therapy. Psychological implications sometimes is an important remedy for treating patients in clinical practice, isn’t it? Particularly, treatment of migraine and constipation, unfortunately, you selected them as sample, psychological hint may has some effect.

Anyway, you designed a method to identify the psychological implications in acupuncture therapy, it sometimes meaningful.

Level of interest: An article of importance 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