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Reviewer’s report:

LF. I have now had a chance to read over the revised manuscript and the author replies to my suggestions.

For the most part the answers the authors provided were sensible.

1. However, My point 10, from former P(age) 7, p(aragraph) 3 was not handled. They have not included the completeness of the their search strategy. However, they have claimed to have included the search strategies as appendices; however, I did not see these nor check them to see if they look sensible. So it should mean that an interested reader can check the search completeness form the code. However, I did not do this.

Author answer
We thank the author for pointing out our oversight. Now we have attached the search strategies in the appendix.

2. My point 48 on Fig 4 was claimed to have been handled by the authors; however, it was not. The attached Fig 4 still contains the same error.

Author answer
We have modified the figure.

3. In the revised manuscript, P 11, the subscripts in the formula do not correspond with the lines below it. The numbers on the lines below are NOT subscripts; they are on the same lines as the letters.

Author answer
Done.

4. The authors have claimed to have replaced the Greek letters for alpha and beta; however, they did not do so for the footnote on P 27.

Author answer
Done.

General comment: There are still many instances when English is not used properly so the paper still needs a careful English edit.

Author answer
A native English speaker has reviewed the manuscript.

I did not check the points raised by the other reviewers.