Reviewer's report

Title: The association between sleep disturbances and suicidal behaviors in patients with psychiatric diagnoses: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Major Compulsory Revisions:
None. The revised manuscript is well-crafted.

Minor Essential Revisions:
In discussion, under clinical implications, it would be appropriate to provide a cautionary note with respect to sedative-hypnotics to treat insomnia in patients at risk for SI, given some evidence that they are associated with suicidal thoughts and behaviors (e.g., see Kripke et al).

Discretionary Revisions:
It would be useful for table 2 to include number of studies included in each subanalysis

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:
'I declare that I have no competing interests'